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Valley Weekend

Find out how Mon Valley residents spent their weekend.

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Mon/Fayette Expressway

Onorato for completion

The Allegheny County chief executive convened a meeting of regional leaders.

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KIRK

PITTSBURGH – Supporters of the Mon/Fayette Expressway said a commitment by Allegheny County's chief executive to take a leadership role in the project is a major step toward ensuring it will be completed.

On Friday, Chief Executive Dan Onorato convened a meeting of 60 state, local and county political and business leaders to develop a plan to finance the $3.6 billion section of the project that would run through Allegheny County.

The 24-mile section would run from Route 51 in Jefferson Hills to Oakland and Monroeville, and include a bypass around the Parkway East's Squirrel Hill Tunnel.

The state Turnpike Commission continues to build other sections of the $5 billion highway network that runs from Pittsburgh to Morgantown, W.Va.

"The expressway and Squirrel Hill bypass are critically important regional transportation and economic development projects," Onorato said.

"The Mon/Fayette will provide linkages and open up old industrial sites to jobs and commerce in the south, and its Squirrel Hill bypass will provide important traffic congestion relief to Pittsburgh's eastern suburbs."

Joe Kirk, executive director of the Mon Valley Progress Council, characterized the meeting as "a major new development."

"For the first time in the history of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, political and business leaders have agreed to come up with solutions to advance this project," he said. "Today, we saw the kind of broad-based support we knew was out there."

Political leaders who attended

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Charleroi angels receiving uniforms

The local volunteers have undergone martial arts training, and more is planned.

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The familiar uniform of the Guardian Angels – worn for the first time by Mid-Mon Valley residents – will be visible in downtown Charleroi Saturday night.

As many as 10 volunteers who have undergone seven weeks of martial arts training will receive the red berets, red satin jackets and white t-shirts that have marked the Guardian Angels for nearly three decades.

Members of the Charleroi Guardian Angels chapter will receive uniforms 3 p.m. today at The Dojo, located at 1909 W. Chestnut St., Washington, where the volunteers have been training.

Frank Lee, East Coast Guardian Angels director, will be make the presentations. Lee said the recruits still must complete two additional weeks of martial arts schooling along with training in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and criminal law.

If training continues as planned, the Charleroi chapter's first recruits will graduate in late March or early April, Lee said.

It won't take three months for the local Angels to have a presence in their community. Lee, along with the local volunteers, will patrol the community Saturday prior to a public "meet-and-greet" session 7 p.m. at the Charleroi American Legion.

Lee said the patrol will include a stop at the alley along Fifth Street where murder victim Amanda Faux's body was found in a dumpster last weekend.

Her boyfriend, Joseph John Natale, 28, of 213 Fifth St., Apt. 3G, was charged with one count each of criminal homicide, aggravated assault and abuse of a corpse. According to police, the couple had moved into the apartment the day before her body was discovered.

Natale is being held without bond in the Washington County Correctional Facility.

Lee said the Guardian Angels were aware of the situation, adding he has spoken to organization founder Curtis Sliwa. Lee and other Angels had planned to come to Charleroi to assist police in a search had the suspect remained at large.

With chapters in various communities across the state and country, Lee said the Angels might have been helpful in locating the suspect had he fled the Valley.

Earlier this week, Lee recalled that during a previous visit to Charleroi, he and Angels members patrolled the alley where the body was found.

"The lighting is not that good

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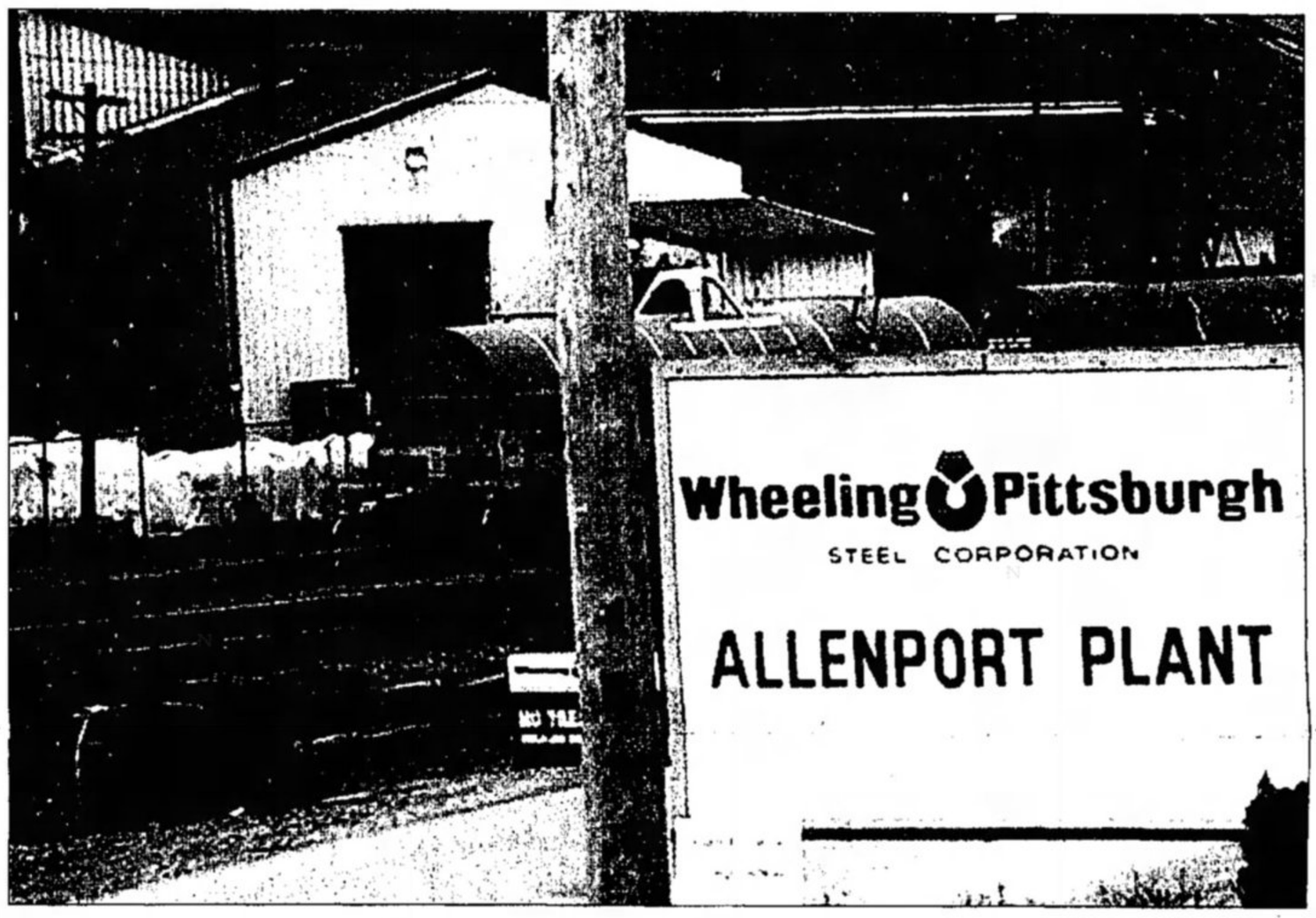

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As Wheeling-Pittsburgh officials and the United Steelworkers discuss the company's future, workers at Allenport are awaiting their fate.

No solid plans in place for Wheeling-Pittsburgh

Out to cut costs, company officials are in talks with the United Steelworkers.

By C.M. MORTIMER
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New management at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel has been meeting with leaders of the United Steelworkers union to discuss ways to "right size" operations and realize a targeted $150 million in cost cuts.

"We're looking at all facilities and products. We're looking at all of Wheeling-Pitt operations to reduce costs and look at our product lines," CEO James P. Bouchard said Friday.

Wheeling-Pitt employs about 3,100 workers in West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

The United Steelworkers represents about 2,500 hourly workers at Wheeling-Pitt's operations in Mingo Junction, Martins Ferry and Yorkville, Ohio, Follansbee, W.Va., and at a cold-rolled sheet plant in Allenport.

Yesterday, Bouchard said no firm decision has been made concerning any of the plants. Officials of the steelworkers union could not be reached for comment Thursday or yesterday.

"We have ongoing conversations with the USW. They are not completed, we're putting a plan together and we're continuing our dialogue," Bouchard said.

He did not give a specific timetable to conclude the talks. "The review will be completed in the near future," he said.

However, workers are worried.

"The rumors are running rampant ... and they're all negative," one Allenport steelworker said.

Under a new holding company structure, Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel is a division of Esmark Inc. Its steelmaking facilities in West Virginia, Ohio and Allenport will be merged with Esmark's network of steel service centers in the Midwest.

Wheeling-Pitt has considered moving Allenport's operations to its Steubenville plant, in part because of the cost of transporting steel to and from its plants in Ohio.

Previously, union officials said Wheeling-Pitt was considering reducing the number of weekly shifts at the Allenport plant.

Three weeks before the Nov. 27 shareholders vote to combine with Esmark, a Chicago-based steel distributor, Bouchard wrote a letter to Wheeling-Pitt shareholders stating that Wheeling-Pitt cannot continue to be "viable as a stand alone entity" without a stronger balance sheet, "dramatically" reduced cost structure and a broader customer base.

In the last six months, Wheeling-Pittsburgh posted losses of $97.1 million.

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> JAMES P. BOUCHARD, CEO

Zimmerlink leaves housing authority

The Fayette County commissioners rose to prominence on the panel.

By LIZ ZEMBA
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Fayette County Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink has resigned from the county housing authority board, less than a week after she was reappointed.

Zimmerlink, who had served two previous five-year terms on the board, said Friday she does not want potential controversy over her participation to distract from the board's work.

"In the last few years of my service on the housing authority and in the commissioners' office, there are people who attempted to place negativity and false accusations to deflect from the real issues," Zimmerlink said. "I do not want these types of actions from these individuals to jeopardize county government and the housing authority because they have a vendetta or personal problem with me."

Zimmerlink noted in her letter of resignation that during her tenure on the board, the authority spent thousands of dollars researching claims involving an ethics

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and it's a long alley, off the main drag," Lee said. "That's somewhere where – if I had a criminal mind – that's an alley I might pick."

Charleroi chapter coordinator Bob Arthurs spent time in Manhattan on business as a consultant from 1988 to 2000. He saw firsthand the Angels effectiveness.

"When you saw Angels on the subway, at a time when it was bad to get on the subway, you felt safer," Arthurs said.

Arthurs said the local recruits are predominantly from Charleroi, but also represent other valley communities. They agreed to join the Guardian Angels after a public meeting Oct. 19 in the Charleroi community building. The meeting drew nearly 100 people.

"Certainly our training isn't over, but with Frank Lee's help, we can do some patrolling and get integrated into how the Guardian Angels do things," Arthurs said. "I think any presence by the Angels will ensure the community that things are happening on a positive note and let any potential perpetrators know there is another avenue they will have to be aware of when they consider committing crimes."

Lee assured Charleroi residents that the Angels would provide some peace of mind.

"We don't want them to think they can't go out," Lee said. "We want to provide a blanket of security. Charleroi police are doing their job and the Guardian Angels are going to step up their patrols, not only on the main drag, but throughout the community."

We need your photos

We have received overwhelmingly positive comments about our Yesteryear photo feature. In fact, we have, at times, been swamped by submissions.

Maybe it has been because of the busy holiday season, but the flow of photos has virtually stopped.

We enjoy publishing photos from your family albums and our readers love to see them each day.

That said, we're calling on you, once more, to dig into your old photos and send them our way.

You can drop them off at our Eastgate 19, Monessen office, mail the photos or e-mail them to kpeters@tribweb.com.

Yesteryear

Donora native Stephen Charles "Flip" Filipowicz was a quarterback and fullback at Fordham University from 1941 to 1943. He was drafted by the NFL New York Giants in the first round of the 1943 draft. He also played baseball for the New York Giants and Cincinnati Reds. Born June 28, 1921, in Donora, he died Feb. 21, 1975, in Wilkes-Barre. The photo is from the archives of the Mid Mon Valley All Sports Hall of Fame.

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Economic stimulous plan possible

Officials from both parties – and the president – see a need to avoid a recession.

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON – Democrats in control of Congress are looking at tax rebates, extended unemployment benefits and more food stamps to stimulate the sagging economy.

But even as momentum builds behind those ideas – with President Bush increasingly open to proposing a stimulus package later this month – the effort is fraught with election-year risks for both Democrats and Republicans.

Any politician who promises action on the economy had better deliver. Failure to enact those or other pump-priming measures, which is possible, will register with voters increasingly alarmed about their own well-being.

On the other hand, not trying is a losing strategy too. Democrats see little choice but to make the effort.

"There's a risk in doing nothing and a risk in doing something," said Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel. "I'll take the risk of doing something for middle-class families versus the risk of doing nothing."

The White House also is examining broad-based tax rebates comparable to the $300-600 checks sent to taxpayers in 2001, as well as bigger tax breaks for businesses that invest in new equipment.

But Bush's advisers and Capitol Hill Republicans are skeptical of new spending initiatives like extended jobless benefits and higher food stamp payments; or accelerating highway, bridge and other public infrastructure projects to address rising unemployment among construction workers.

Complicating the debate is the fact that Democrats and Bush also have a poor track record of working together.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., wrote Bush on Friday signaling their desire to try to reach early agreement on a stimulus package that could quickly advance.

"We want to work with you and the Republican leadership of the Congress to immediately develop a legislative plan based upon these principles so it can be passed and implemented into law without delay," Pelosi and Reid wrote.

Both sides insist that work on competing stimulus plans is just beginning and that no decisions have been made about what might be included.

The White House says it's not a sure thing Bush will even propose a plan if upcoming economic data don't suggest a deepening downturn of the economy.

Expectations are growing, however, that some action on an economic stimulus bill is inevitable.

The mantra among Democrats and many economists is that any stimulus bill should be timely, temporary and targeted toward people most likely to funnel the money right back into the economy. As such, some Democrats are suggesting limiting tax rebates to lower-income and middle-class families and people with children.

"We're looking at both tax cuts and spending stimuli," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y. "We're focused on the middle class in terms of tax cuts and in terms of spending stimuli, things that get out quickly."

Democrats also are eyeing extending unemployment benefits beyond the 26-week limit and a temporary increase in food stamp benefits, Pelosi's spokesman, Brendan Daly, said. He cautioned that any decisions would be made only after lawmakers return to Washington next week.

Liberal economists say boosting food stamps is one of the most efficient ways of pumping money into the economy, an idea surprisingly embraced by GOP economist Martin Feldstein at a Brookings Institution forum on Thursday.

Still, the White House and Democrats are probably on a collision course. Bush is likely to resist social spending initiatives or efforts to restrict tax rebates to a relatively narrow segment of the public. He is sure to press to extend his 2001 and 2003 tax cuts – something Democrats promise to reject.

With an economy that may be teetering on the edge of a recession, congressional Democrats see a need to deliver results rather than be viewed as seeking political advantage. That means limiting the wish list of liberal Democratic lawmakers if they are to get an agreement with Bush.

Senate Democrats have taken fewer steps toward fashioning a stimulus package. Their deliberations are made more complicated by Senate rules that effectively require GOP support for almost any bill. Many Senate Republicans are looking for an opportunity to extend Bush's 2001 and 2003 tax cuts beyond their scheduled expiration at the end of 2010.

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the meeting included Pittsburgh Mayor Luke Ravenstahl; state legislators from southwestern Pennsylvania; county commissioners from Washington, Westmoreland, Fayette and Greene counties; and Turnpike Commission representatives.

The business sector included representatives from U.S. Steel, the Allegheny Conference on Community Development, members of the Monroeville and Pittsburgh chambers of commerce, and several private entrepreneurs.

Bringing business leaders to the table could help jump-start the project by developing a way to create a public-private partnership to pay for construction, officials said.

"The bottom line, the most important thing that came out of our meeting Friday, is that the people who were there agreed that advancing the Route 51 to I-376 portion of the project is a priority," Kirk said. "That consensus is a sign that we are moving from rhetoric to reality."

Housing (FROM PAGE ONE)

complaint.

The State Ethics Commission found that Zimmerlink acted on the advice of the authority's solicitor to continue approving Section 8 program vouchers for more than two years after she learned her estranged father was a landlord. The authority subsequently removed her father from the program in 2005.

"Despite these obstacles and others placed before me by those determined to undermine progress and determined to cast negative and false accusations, as a board member I performed my duties in the applicable fiduciary role and without conflicts as a county commissioner," Zimmerlink wrote.

Commissioners on Monday voted 2-1 to appoint Zimmerlink to finish out the unexpired term of William Radcliffe, who resigned with one year left of his term.

Commissioner Vincent Vicites had opposed Zimmerlink's nomination on the grounds appointed authorities are to operate autonomously, or free of any potential political pressure.

Such pressure could arise, he said, with a county commissioner on the authority because commissioners make the appointments to the authority.

Zimmerlink said she supports appointing Don Miller, of Uniontown, to serve out Radcliffe's term.

Vicites said he will support the reappointment of Jim Bitonti, of Belle Vernon, and the appointment of Harry Joseph, of South Union. He had nominated both on Monday, but his motions failed for lack of seconds.

Board Chairman Vincent Zapotosky said commissioners could consider making an appointment to replace Zimmerlink as early as the board's Jan. 24 meeting.

Individuals who already were interviewed for the post will be among those considered. Zapotosky said if commissioners fail to agree on any of those nominees, he will favor soliciting additional applicants.

Zapotosky said he prefers that the successful nominee not want to be reappointed upon completion of the one-year term.

Valley briefs

Penn Hill Prizant's OKs settlement

The state said Friday it reached a $100,000 settlement with Prizant's Floors of Penn Hills to reimburse customers who paid for carpet and flooring that was never delivered when the business suddenly closed its doors in December.

In order to be eligible for the refund or have the carpeting and flooring installed, the Attorney General said customers must file the claims with the state's Bureau of Consumer Protection within 30 days.

The claims can be filed by calling the 800-441-2555 or submitting an online complaint using at www.attorneygeneral.gov. Users should "highlight" the complaints' button at the top left corner of the Web site, and select "Consumer Complaints" from the menu that appears.

Airline refunds likely in Pittsburgh

Airlines at Pittsburgh International Airport will be refunded tens of thousands of dollars on 2007 lease fees because their landlord is set to post a year-end surplus of about $5 million, officials said Friday.

Allegheny County Airport Authority CEO Brad Penrod cited the warmer-than-expected weather and operating efficiencies as the reason for the savings on the $87 million operating budget for the fiscal year that ended Dec. 31.

Further details on the surplus will be available after year-end accounting is completed in a few weeks.

Katrina scammer pleads guilty

PITTSBURGH (AP) – A Florida man pleaded guilty to wire fraud in connection with a bogus Hurricane Katrina relief Web site and several other sites that authorities said were meant to gather sensitive financial information from would-be donors. Jovany Desir, 22, of Miami, entered the plea Friday in U.S. District Court in Pittsburgh. Authorities said the purported relief effort was said to be linked to an American Red Cross chapter in western Pennsylvania, and another bogus site mimicked the Web site for PNC Bank.

Home entered in Allenport

The 1797 Main St., Allenport, home of Ardell and Bard Donaldson, was broken into sometime from Tuesday to Friday, RESA police said. Approximately $70 to $80 in coins, pain medication and a .45-caliber Colt Revolver pistol were taken. Anyone with information should call police at (724) 938-7773.

Break-in reported in Long Branch

The 13 Oak St., Long Branch, home of Dalas and Sherry Wingo was broken into Jan. 8, Southwest Regional police reported. Two silver bars, various collector coins, two gold chains and a yellow bridal ring set with diamond cluster were stolen. The coins included one from the 1800s, numerous silver dollars, Susan B. Anthony dollars and a 1995 mint coin set. The suspect may have been operating a white vehicle with a pronounced emblem on the front end.

Anyone with information should call police at (724) 929-8484.

Wayne Wolfe, left, and his wife of 64 years, Marian, have traveled the world since leaving Monessen during World War II. He turned a love for writing into a career in jounalism education.

Wolfe forged long education career

The former Monessen man turned to writing during a steel strike.

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A weekly look at people who left the Valley

Wayne Wolfe's career as an educator and journalist has taken him around the world. But he has never forgotten his hometown.

Wolfe, 89, was born in Monessen on Aug. 5, 1918, at a time when the steel industry was booming and the city was prosperous.

He was only 16 when he graduated from Monessen High School in 1935. Wolfe described himself as "not a very good student" who earned mostly Cs and Ds.

"I was also a cellist in the high school orchestra, and a very bad one at that," he said.

After graduation, he quickly went to work at the steel mill, answering phones and taking messages. But in the wake of a strike, Wolfe pursued his passion for writing.

In 1936, he landed job as a reporter at the News Call, a weekly newspaper in Monessen.

"I always wanted to write so I was happy to get this job," Wolfe said from his home in River Falls, Wis.

Wolfe remembers covering council meetings at City Hall at a time when elected officials conducted back-room votes.

Now retired, Wolfe has a long list of honors and accomplishments to reflect upon, including a major role in the establishment of a journalism department at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

"When I decided to go to college, there were no journalism classes," he said.

After spending three years as a reporter early in his career, he was named city editor at the "News Call" in 1939, a position he held until 1941.

His career took another turn as America entered World War II in 1941.

Wolfe volunteered for the Civil Air Patrol and earned his pilot's license. From 1942 to 1945, he was a navigator for the U.S. Army Air Corps and served as an instructor in at the air base in Hondo, Texas.

After the war, he returned to Monessen, but not for long.

"A friend of mine, Hank Anderson, was going to Purdue and told me he would give me a ride to Indiana," he said.

He ended up attending DePauw University, but had to live off campus because no housing was available. He shared a house in Cloverdale, Ind., with his brother, Warren, and his French war bride.

Wolfe graduated with a double major in Spanish and English.

He received a master's degree in journalism in 1950 and a doctorate in Latin American studies in 1963 – both from Indiana University.

Wolfe also worked as a reporter at the Star, a Terre Haute, Ind., newspaper.

His career as an educator began in 1951 at Wisconsin State University at River Falls.

He ultimately served as chairman and professor of the journalism department from 1955 to 1964, as university vice president from 1967 to 1970, and, finally, as assistant chancellor in 1970.

In 1964, the institution became known as University of Wisconsin-River Falls.

Although retired, Wolfe remains active on campus through alumni events. In 2006, Wolfe was the subject of special tribute for his contributions to the university.

And each year, he presents the Wayne Wolfe Outstanding Graduating senior award to a student.

He has also received significant awards.

From 1976 to 1977, he was a senior Fulbright scholar at the Institute of Mass Communications at the University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica.

In 1961, Wolfe received the Rosamond Gilder award for "Best Latin American Play in Translation."

Wolfe has shared his life with his wife of 64 years, Marian Bennett Wolfe. The couple met at the First Christian Church in Monessen and married in 1943 at the Army Air Corps base in Houston, Texas.

Over the years, the couple has traveled to such places as England, Germany, Holland, Denmark, Spain, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Jamaica, Guyana, Trinidad, Curacao, Puerto Rico, Nicaragua, Venezuela and Brazil.

"We have been very fortunate to see some beautiful places," he said.

The couple has four children: Warren, Charles, Mary Bates and Kate Jenson. They have 10 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Wolfe says he still enjoys writing and has fond memories of his youth in Monessen.

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Fayette must move on voting machine buy

A delay could result in delivery after the primary election.

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A Fayette County commissioner is pushing for approval to buy additional electronic voting machines in time for the primary election, a goal her colleagues said they share.

A representative of the company that manufactures the machines, Hart InterCivic, said as long as the order is placed before the end of the month, the machines likely can be delivered before the April 22 primary.

The commissioners allocated $170,000 in this year's budget for the purchase up to 55 of the eSlate electronic machines. More machines are needed to eliminate long waits at some precincts.

Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink said Friday that Hart InterCivic wanted the county to place its order last month.

Adrian Gonzales, of Hart InterCivic, said he suggested that deadline to put Fayette at the top of the list of municipalities nationwide that might place orders for the machines.

Gonzales said enough stock remains on hand to ensure delivery if an order is placed before the end of this month, but said he can't guarantee the same results in February.

The commissioners could consider voting on the matter when they meet Jan. 24, but they are considering a second option suggested by Uniontown resident DeLinda Young.

Young asked the commissioners to consider buying electronic voting machines that scan paper ballots.

The machines are sold through Hart InterCivic under the brand name eScan. Zimmerlink said the idea is worth exploring, but might have to be put off until the fall election.

Commissioners Vincent Vicites and Vincent Zapotosky said they, too, want more electronic voting machines to be available for the primary.

Dem straw poll a gimmick

LANCASTER – What was billed by the Democratic State Committee as a presidential straw poll Friday night turned out instead to be a fundraising gimmick in which party faithful could buy as many votes as they could afford for the candidate of their choice.

"In hindsight, we shouldn't have used the word 'straw'," said Abe Amoros, the state committee spokesman, who learned about the nature of the "poll" from a reporter only after the fundraiser had begun.

In advance of the event, the state committee had said members and their guests would be entitled to one vote each if they bought tickets to a dance party at prices ranging from $20 to $35 apiece.

In fact, Amoros later confirmed, the revelers were credited with one "vote" for every dollar they spent on their tickets. They could buy additional votes that were to be counted as "absentee" ballots.

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FABIAN – Margaret Fabian, 90, of Belle Vernon, on Thursday, Jan. 10. Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home, Belle Vernon.*

KOKOSKA – Charles Kokoska Sr., 67, of Daisytown, on Thursday, Jan. 10. Greenlee Funeral Home, Beallsville.*

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PREVIOUS DEATHS:
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KICKEL, George J.*
MARINO, William*
MASTRO, John*
MATTY, John E. Sr.*

Minnie L. Yarbrough
North Belle Vernon

Minnie Lee Yarbrough, 93, a long-time resident of North Belle Vernon, went to her eternal rest with the Lord on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008. Born June 21, 1914, in Bessemer, Ala., she was the daughter of the late Mackie and Joe Williams. Ms. Minnie, as she was affectionately called, was a faithful member of Antioch Baptist Church, where she served as president of the Nurses Board and was in charge of the Kitchen Committee for many years. She worked for several years at the Mon Valley Health Center as a receptionist. Ms. Minnie had a ministry of her own making - she would send cards for all occasions and make telephone calls to all her acquaintances. This was a large part of her life. Left to celebrate her life are her three sons, Walter Nelson of Veradale, Wash., Ernest Robert Nelson, of Durham, N.C., and Lindsey "Pete" Yarbrough, of Belle Vernon; one sister, Ruth Hopsons, of Birmingham, Ala.; 32 grandchildren, 58 great-grandchildren, and 25 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends. Ms. Minnie was preceded in death by her husbands, Lou Nelson Sr. and John Yarbrough Sr.; one sister, Annie Jo Watts; three brothers, Charles Maddox, Ben Williams and Mack Henry Williams; three daughters, Joyce Yarbrough-Watson, Frances Nelson-Woodard and Mackie Carson-Carter; and three sons, Lou Nelson Jr., Ben Nelson and John Yarbrough Jr. Family and friends will be received Sunday from 3 to 8 p.m. in Antioch Baptist Church, 945 Henry St., Belle Vernon, where funeral services will be held Monday, Jan. 14, at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Clifford Carter officiating. Interment will take place in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to the BEVERLY C. DRAPER FUNERAL HOME, 608 Sixth St., Monessen (724-684-6242).

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

In Memory Of
Margaret Galilei

In loving memory of our beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, Margaret Galilei, who passed away 1 year ago today, January 12, 2007. You are not forgotten, loved one, nor will you ever be, as long as life and memory last we shall remember thee. We miss you now, our hearts are sore, as time goes on we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face, no one can fill your vacant place.

Sadly missed and loved by husband Frank, children and grandchildren

Margaret Fabian
Belle Vernon

Margaret Modrak Fabian, 90, of Belle Vernon, died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008, at 10:30 p.m. in Mon Valley Hospital, Carroll Township. Born Oct. 4, 1917, in Belle Vernon, she was the daughter of the late John and Mary Motchski Modrak. A resident of Belle Vernon for the past 60 years, Mrs. Fabian was a member of St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Church in Belle Vernon and a homemaker. She was a member of the Belle Vernon Civic Club, the former Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Belle Vernon 1522, and the former Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. Mrs. Fabian was an avid bridge player and enjoyed traveling. She is survived by a son, George Joseph Fabian Jr., of Belle Vernon; a daughter and son-in-law; a brother and sister-in-law, William and Norma Modrak, of Roscoe; a sister and brother-in-law, Irene and James Mendicino, of Belle Vernon; two sisters-in-law, Norma Jean Fabian, of Monessen, and Dolores Modrak; two grandsons; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, George Joseph Fabian Sr.; and two brothers, Michael and Frank Modrak. Visitation will be held at the LEONARD J. PARZYNSKI FUNERAL HOME, family owned and operated, 626 Broad Ave., Belle Vernon (724-929-6183) on Monday from 9 to 10 a.m., at which time a prayer service will be held in the funeral home, followed by a Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. in St. Sebastian R.C. Church. Interment will take place in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Condolences accepted for the family at the funeral home Web site, www.parzynskifuneralhome.com

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

Cecelia A. Hough
Speers Hill (Charleroi)

Cecelia A. "Sally" Hough, 73, of Speers Hill (Charleroi), died Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008, in the Washington County Health Center. She was born Dec. 8, 1934, in Charleroi, a daughter of the late Edward and Kathryn Tope Michener. Mrs. Hough was Untied Methodist by faith. She was employed by the former Kinder and Mollenauer in Charleroi and Ehlers Auto Parts in Belle Vernon. Survivors include her husband, Raymond E. Hough; one son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Pam Hough, of Pueblo, Colo.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sherry and Ken Ballentyne, of Charleroi, and Lila and Mark Mears, of Pueblo West, Colo.; five grandchildren, Daniel Ballentyne, Amanda Shenouda, Michael Mears, Eric Mears and Kevin Hough; and nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother and sister, George Michener and Patricia Tedrow. Friends will be received Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. in the SCHROCK-HOGAN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES INC., (www.schrock-hogan.com), 226 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, where funeral services will be held Monday, Jan. 14, at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Jeffrey St.Clair officiating. Interment will follow in Mon Valley Memorial Park.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

George J. Kickel
Donora

George J. Kickel, 79, of Donora, passed away Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008. He was born in Monongahela on Sept. 28, 1928, a son of the late Michael and Anna Parasolick Kickel. He was a 1948 graduate of Monongahela High School, where he was the captain of the Monongahela Wildcats football team and served as his class treasurer. Mr. Kickel was a veteran of the U.S. Army, receiving an honorable discharge in 1951. He was retired from USX Corporation, Irvin Works, and Donora Lumber Company. George was a well-respected member of St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church in Monessen, where he was an altar server and a member of St. Michael Parish Council. He was a founding member of the Donora Youth Athletic Association. George was very proud to be a midget league football coach, where he helped to foster the development of many youths. Mr. Kickel was a recipient of the Polonoli Memorial Midget Football League Award for his devotion to the youth sports program in Donora. He was a member and Loyal Knight of the BPOE Lodge No. 1265 in Donora, where he was honored as Elk of the Year for 2004-2005. Mr. Kickel was an avid fisherman, hunter, golfer and bowler. He was a member of the Donora Elks, Polish Falcons and Seniors Golf Leagues, and the Donora Croatian Club Thursday Night Bowling League. George was very proud to shoot a hole in one on July 9, 1988, at Willowbrook Golf Course in Rostraver Township. George was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles and Mike Kickel; and one sister, Anne Boros. He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Martha Hanna Kickel, whom he married on June 30, 1956; a son, George M. Kickel and wife, Kimberly, of Erie; and a daughter, Cynthia K. Magone and husband, Frank, of Monongahela. George was a very loving grandfather to five beautiful grandchildren who loved their "Gramps" very much: Michael, Corrine, and Christopher Kickel, of Erie, and Elizabeth and Alexandra Magone, of Monongahela. He is also survived by three sisters, Helen Kickel, of Pittsburgh, Dorothy Kickel, of Washington, and Martha Affinito and husband, Vinnie, of Monongahela; an uncle, George Parasolick and wife, Madeline, of Monongahela; and many nieces and nephews. George was a very good friend and neighbor to all who knew him. May his memory be eternal! Friends will be received Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the JAMES A. RABE FUNERAL HOME INC., 701 Thompson Ave., Donora (724-379-9020), where Trisagion Prayers for the Departed will be said Monday, Jan. 14, at 9:30 a.m., followed by a funeral service at 10 a.m. at St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church in Monessen with the Rev. Fred Pfeil officiating. Interment will follow in Monongahela Cemetery. Elks services will be held Sunday at 7 p.m., followed by Trisagion Prayers for the Departed at 7:30 p.m. Family and friends may view the obituary and offer on-line condolences at www.rabefuneralhome.com

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Charles Kokoska Sr.
Daisytown

Charles Kokoska Sr., 67, of Daisytown, died unexpectedly on Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008. He was born June 2, 1940, in Hazelkirk, a son of George Kokoska, of Daisytown, and the late Helen Bialon Kokoska. He was a 1958 graduate of California High School and a graduate of Allegheny Tech, from which he earned a degree in electrics. Mr. Kokoska had been employed by Kelly Industries in Eighty Four for over 30 years and by Penn Mould, of Washington, and Phoenix Glass, of Moon Township, as a mould maker for a total of 9 1/2 years before retiring in 2002. He was a member of the Steelworkers of America Local No. 142 and Local No. 67. He was a charter member of Garwood Baptist Church in Daisytown, with over 40 years of membership, and West Pike Run Grange No. 1928. Mr. Kokoska enjoyed cooking, hunting, fishing, had a great love for all types of music, and he enjoyed spending time with his grandsons. On July 23, 1961, he married Etta Ames Kokoska, who survives. In addition, he is survived by a son, Dr. Charles Kokoska Jr. and wife, Diane, of Clarksville; one daughter, Jennifer Kadash and husband, Jason, of Clearwater, Fla.; one sister, Carolyn Wisniewski and husband, Anthony, of Daisytown; five grandsons, Chad, Matthew and Joshua Kokoska, and Xander and Maxamus Kadash; and several nieces and nephews. Deceased, in addition to his mother, is a son, Theodore Kokoska. Friends will be received in the JOHN B. GREENLEE FUNERAL HOME, 2830 Main St., Beallsville, on Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and Monday, Jan. 14, in Garwood Baptist Church, Route 481, Daisytown, from 10 to 11 a.m., the hour of funeral service with Pastor Cliff Reynolds officiating. Interment will be in Beallsville Cemetery. Online guest book and personal condolences may be accessed at www.GreenleeFuneralHome.com

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William Marino
Monessen

William Marino, 88, of Monessen, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008, in Monongahela Valley Hospital. He was born Feb. 4, 1919, in Monessen, a son of the late Ralph and Asunta Yannito Marino. He was a member of Epiphany of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church and a life member of Monessen Fire Department, Company No. 1, and B.P.O.E. Lodge 773, all in Monessen, the Western Pennsylvania and Westmoreland County Fireman's associations, the Southwestern Pennsylvania Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs Association, a past president of the "Old Timers Association" of the Western Pennsylvania Firemen's Association, Christian Firefighters Guild of North America, and the LS Hunting Camp of Clearfield. He was a former member of the Mon Valley CB Radio Club and the Fraternal Order of Police, Mon Valley Lodge No. 87. Prior to retirement, Mr. Marino was employed by American Chain and Cable Co., Page's Division. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Sechrist Marino; one daughter, Vicki Marino, of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; two sons, David Marino and wife, Mickey, of Las Vegas, Nev., and Randall Marino, of Monessen; four grandchildren, Cory and Scott MacDonald, and Robert and Stacy Marino; one great-granddaughter, Shea Minton; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Mr. Marino was preceded in death by five brothers, Frank, James, Joseph, Arthur and Raymond; and four sisters, Mary Parkins, Minnie Treater, Lena Marino and Edith Palanzo. Friends will be received Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 3 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the RHOME FUNERAL HOME INC., a Golden Rule Funeral Home, 1209 Grand Blvd., Monessen. A Blessing Service will be held Monday, Jan. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the funeral home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. in Epiphany of Our Lord R.C. Church. Interment will follow in Grandview Cemetery, Monessen. On Sunday, members of Monessen Knights of Columbus will conduct services at 6:30 p.m.; Monessen Fire Department, Company No. 1, will hold services at 7 p.m; members of American Legion Post No. 28 will pay their respects as a group Sunday evening, and B.P.O.E. Lodge No. 773 will conduct services at 7:30 p.m.

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John Mastro
Donora

John Mastro, 81, of Donora, passed away Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008, in Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh. He was born in Monongahela on Jan. 4, 1927, a son of the late Angelo and Elizabeth Conte Mastro. He was a member of Epiphany of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church in Monessen and the Donora American Legion. Mr. Mastro was employed as a mill wright with U.S. Steel, Donora Works. He was also employed by Standard Oil in El Segundo, Calif., before returning to Pennsylvania and finishing his career with U.S. Steel in Sto-Rox. Mr. Mastro was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Julio Mastro. Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Alice Hora Mastro; three sons, Jay Mastro, of Pittsburgh, Scott Mastro, of Golden, Colo., and Craig Mastro, of Lakewood, Colo.; a granddaughter, Danielle Mastro; a sister, Mary Aloisi, of South Hills; one sister-in-law, Lorraine Mastro; and many nieces and nephews. Friends will be received Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the ANTHONY L. MASSAFRA FUNERAL HOME, 40 Second St. Ext., Donora (724-379-6900), where prayers will be recited on Monday, Jan. 14, at 11:15 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at noon in Epiphany of Our Lord R.C. Church, Monessen. Entombment will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Monongahela.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

John H. Matthews
Monongahela (River Hill)

John H. "Jack" Matthews, 74, of Monongahela (River Hill), died Friday, Jan. 11, 2008, in Manor Care Nursing Home, Bethel Park. Born April 24, 1933, in Monongahela, he was a son of the late Joseph H. and Grace Kerr Matthews. He worked as a welder and welding foreman at various companies around southwestern Pennsylvania until 1987. Mr. Matthews was a 1951 graduate of Monongahela High School and a member of Transfiguration Catholic Church in Monongahela. He is survived by his wife, Virginia Staffen Matthews, with whom he would have celebrated 52 years of marriage on Jan. 28, 2008; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jeffrey H. and Deborah Matthews, of Monongahela (River Hill), and John M. and Lori Matthews, of Green Tree; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Judith A. Pemberton, of Monongahela, Jacqueline S. and Mark Spires, of Monongahela (River Hill), and JoAnn M. and Herbert Clark, of Boyers; three brothers, Eugene H. Matthews, of Virginia, and Kenneth and Lawrence Matthews, of Monongahela; and six grandchildren, Jarrod and Eric Matthews, Jessica Pemberton, Mary Jo and Ben Clark and Lindsey Matthews. Preceding him in death was a brother, Robert Matthews. Friends will be received at the MARSHALL MARRA FUNERAL HOME, 216 Chess St., Monongahela (724-258-6767), from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Transfiguration Catholic Church on Monday, Jan. 14, at 10 a.m. with Father George Chortos as celebrant. Interment will follow in Monongahela Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to: American Parkinson's Disease Association, P.O. Box 81241, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15217.

Family and friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.valleyindependent.com.

John E. Matty Sr.
Star Junction

John E. Matty Sr., 86, of Star Junction, passed away Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008. He was born Feb. 11, 1921, in Star Junction, the son of the late Andrew and Mary Kalman Matty. He was a member of St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church in Perryopolis and a veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Army in the China and Burma Campaign. Mr. Matty was a member of American Legion Post 51, of Uniontown, Sokol Assembly No. 725, of Perryopolis, and the Santa Barbara Club, of Newell. John is survived by three sons and two daughters-in-law, John E. Jr. and Doreen Matty, of Fayette City, Douglas Matty, of Perryopolis, and Brian and Mary Matty, of Monaca; grandchildren, John III, David, Frank, Christine, Greg, Brian Jr., Adam and Patrick; seven great-grandchildren; one brother and sister-in-law, Thomas and Virginia Matty, of Star Junction; two sisters, Mrs. Albert (Patty) Chlebowski, of Scottdale, and Mrs. Fred (Connie) Tylka, of Belle Vernon; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Betty J. Matty; three brothers, Andrew, Joseph and Steve Matty; and one sister, Mary Logoyda. Friends will be received in the BLAIR-LOWTHER FUNERAL HOME INC., 106 East Independence St., Perryopolis (724-736-4424), on Saturday from 6 to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A prayer service will be held Monday, Jan. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the funeral home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. in St. John the Baptist R.C. Church with the Rev. John Sedlak as celebrant. Interment will be in St. John Cemetery, Perryopolis. Military Graveside Rites will be accorded by VFW Gold Star Post 7023 and American Legion Post 752, Perryopolis. On Sunday, members of the Perryopolis Slovak Sokol Club will conduct a service at 2:30 p.m., followed by a wake service at 3 p.m. in the funeral home.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

January 21

Today is Saturday, Jan. 12, the 12th day of 2008. There are 354 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight

On Jan. 12, 1948, the Supreme Court, in Sipuel v. Board of Regents of University of Oklahoma, ruled that states could not discriminate against law-school applicants on the basis of race.

On this date:

■ In 1519, Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian I died.

■ In 1773, the first public museum in America was organized, in Charleston, S.C.

■ In 1915, the U.S. House of Representatives rejected a proposal to give women the right to vote.

■ In 1932, Hattie W. Caraway became the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate, after serving out the remainder of the term of her late husband.

■ In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt reestablished the National War Labor Board.

■ In 1945, during World War II, Soviet forces began a huge, successful offensive against the Germans in Eastern Europe.

■ In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson said in his State of the Union address that the U.S. should stay in South Vietnam until Communist aggression there was ended.

■ In 1976, mystery writer Dame Agatha Christie died in Wallingford, England, at age 85.

■ In 1987, Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite arrived in Lebanon on his latest mission to win the release of Western hostages; however, Waite ended up being taken captive himself.

■ **Ten years ago**: Linda Tripp provided Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's office with taped conversations between herself and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. Nineteen European nations signed a treaty in Paris opposing human cloning. CBS signed a $4 billion, eight-year deal to televise American Football Conference games on Sunday afternoons; Fox signed a $4.4 billion, eight-year contract to continue showing National Football Conference games on Sunday afternoons.

■ **Five years ago**: Blamed by shareholders for AOL Time Warner's sharp fall in fortunes, Steve Case announced he was stepping down as chairman of the conglomerate he'd helped to create. Maurice Gibb, a member of the famed disco band the Bee Gees, died at a Miami Beach hospital at age 53. Former Argentine military ruler Leopoldo Galtieri died in Buenos Aires at age 76.

■ **One year ago:** Two kidnapped boys, Ben Ownby and Shawn Hornbeck, were found alive in the same suburban St. Louis apartment — four days after Ben vanished and 4 1/2 years after Shawn disappeared. (The boys' abductor, Michael Devlin, is serving multiple life terms for kidnapping and sexual assault.) Durham County, N.C., District Attorney Mike Nifong asked to be removed from the Duke lacrosse rape investigation. (State prosecutors later exonerated three suspects.) Larry Stewart, the anonymous Missouri philanthropist known as Secret Santa, died at age 58.

President Bush rekindles the Eternal Flame during a ceremony in the Hall of Remembrance at the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem Friday. Bush had tears in his eyes during an hour-long tour of Israel's Holocaust memorial Friday and told Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice that the U.S. should have bombed Auschwitz to halt the killing, the memorial's chairman said.

Associated Press

Bush: U.S. should have helped Auschwitz victims

President says bombing should have been employed to halt killing of Jews.

By ARON HELLER
Associated Press Writer

JERUSALEM — A teary-eyed President Bush stopped in front of an aerial photo of Auschwitz on Friday at Israel's Holocaust memorial and said the U.S. should have sent bombers to prevent the extermination of Jews there.

Yad Vashem's chairman, Avner Shalev, quoted Bush as saying the U.S. should have "bombed it." Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Bush referred to the train tracks leading to Auschwitz, not the camp itself, where between 1.1 million and 1.5 million people were killed by Nazi Germany.

The issue of bombing the Nazi death camps or the rail lines leading to them has been debated for years — and the lack of action was interpreted by some as a sign of Allied indifference.

The Allies had detailed reports about Auschwitz toward the end of World War II from escaped prisoners. But they chose not to bomb the camp, the rail lines, or any of the other Nazi death camps, preferring instead to focus all resources on the broader military effort.

Some experts note only late in the war did the United States have the capability to bomb the infamous camp in occupied Poland, and also faced a moral dilemma since such an operation could kill thousands of prisoners.

Even Jewish leaders at the time struggled with the issue and many concluded that loss of innocent lives under such circumstances was justifiable.

Bush twice had tears in his eyes during an hour-long tour of the museum, said Shalev, who guided Bush through the exhibits.

Upon viewing an aerial shot of Auschwitz, taken during the war by U.S. forces, he said Bush called the decision not to bomb it "complex." He then called over Rice to discuss President Franklin D. Roosevelt's decision, clearly pondering the options before rendering an opinion of his own, Shalev told The Associated Press.

Shalev quoted Bush as asking Rice, "Why didn't Roosevelt bomb it?" He said Rice and Bush discussed the matter further and then the president delivered his verdict.

"We should have bombed it," Shalev, speaking in Hebrew, quoted Bush as saying.

Briefing reporters later on Air Force One, Rice said Bush was talking about the rail lines to the camp.

"We were talking about the often-discussed 'Could the United States have done more by bombing the train tracks?'" Rice said. "And so we were just talking about the various explanations that had been given about why that might not have been done.

"It was an exhibit about the train tracks. And so we were just talking about the various explanations because, you know, there are three or four different explanations about why the United States chose not to try to bomb the train tracks," she said.

Rice did not detail those reasons.

Later Friday night, asked about Rice's remarks to reporters, Shalev told the AP the president was not specific about what the Allies should have bombed.

Tom Segev, a leading Israeli scholar of the Holocaust, said Bush's reported comment, which appeared spontaneous, marked the first time a U.S. president had made this acknowledgment.

"It is clear now that the U.S. knew a lot about it," Segev said. "It's possible that bombing at least the railway to the camps may have saved the lives of the Jews of Hungary. They were the very last ones who were sent to Auschwitz at a time when everybody knew what was going on."

At the dedication of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington in 1993, Nobel Peace Prize laureate Elie Wiesel famously asked, "Why weren't the railways leading to Birkenau bombed by allied bombers? As long as I live I will not understand that."

Sheriff: Pregnant Marine dead

By MIKE BAKER
Associated Press Writer

JACKSONVILLE, N.C. — Authorities searching for the shallow grave of a pregnant Marine placed a tarp and two white tents over a small patch of ground Friday and planned to begin slowly scraping the earth with garden tools in the morning.

Investigators described the site as an underground cavity in the back yard of a fellow Marine whom Lance Cpl. Maria Frances Lauterbach had accused of rape.

Lauterbach, 20, vanished three weeks ago, days after she talked to prosecutors about the rape case. Authorities said information from another woman, a former Marine, left them certain that she is dead.

Onslow County Sheriff Ed Brown stopped short of saying investigators believe Lauterbach's body had been found; he called the site a "center of interest."

Yet he added, "We feel to search anywhere else to validate our suspicions will be useless. ... We have no plans to look anywhere else."

Megan Melton, who lives about 100 yards from the area, said dozens of vultures had descended on the area in the past few weeks.

Authorities suspended their search of the back yard of Marine Cpl. Cesar Armando Laurean for the day shortly after 5 p.m. But investigators from the State Bureau of Investigation planned to move indoors Friday night and begin a search for blood and other evidence inside his one-story, brown brick ranch home not far from Camp Lejeune.

THE WORLD BRIEFLY

Iran confrontation film released

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon released video Friday it says depicts the entire confrontation last Sunday between U.S. and Iranian naval forces in the Persian Gulf.

The more than half-hour video, shot by a crew member on the bridge of the destroyer USS Hopper, was unedited, said, Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman.

The often uneven and grainy video shows crew members answering radio calls and monitoring the five Iranian boats and for much of the time follows one or more of the fast boats moving around the U.S. ships.

It chronicles crew members communicating with each other on the Hopper, as well as U.S. crew on the other two ships in the convoy. And as the incident escalated, sailors can be heard growing more agitated about how fast and close the small boats were moving near the ships.

The Pentagon released the entire video of the event after days of fielding questions about the origin of a voice on the initial video that warns in English: "I am coming to you" and then, "You will explode after ... minutes."

Less than five minutes of the video footage was released Tuesday.

Giuliani staffers working for free

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. (AP) — About a dozen senior campaign staffers for Rudy Giuliani are forgoing their January paychecks, a sign of possible money trouble for the Republican presidential candidate and last year's national front-runner.

"We didn't ask anybody to do it," Giuliani told reporters Friday after a town hall meeting at a charter school in Coral Springs, Fla.

"Some people volunteered to do it because they wanted to stretch out the money," he said. "We've got quite a bit of money and they wanted to make sure that we had even more money for the end of this situation in Florida, so we could have enough on the air or whatever."

At the end of December, the campaign had $12.7 million cash on hand, $7 million of which could be used for the primary, said Mike DuHaime, Giuliani's campaign manager and one of those who now is working for free.

He disputed the notion of a cash-strapped operation and said Giuliani continues to bring in money; several fundraisers are scheduled this week in Florida.

Stocks take another dive

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street plunged again Friday amid renewed fears that the financial sector's troubles with bad credit won't soon end and that some consumers are buckling under signs of a slowing economy. The Dow Jones industrials fell more than 300 points in the last hour of the session before regaining ground.

The arrival of earnings season has investors worried about how banks and brokerages have fared after suffering losses in the collapse of the subprime mortgage market. Traders appeared to grow more pessimistic ahead of reports next week from the nation's biggest financial institutions. Merrill Lynch & Co., Citigroup Inc. and JPMorgan Chase & Co. are all slated to weigh in next week.

Snow falls on Baghdad

BAGHDAD (AP) — The flakes melted quickly. But the smiles, wonder and excited story-swapping went on throughout the day: It snowed in Baghdad.

The morning flurry Friday was the first in memory in the heart of the Iraqi capital. Perhaps more significant, however, was the rare ripple of delight through a city snarled by army checkpoints, divided by concrete walls and ravaged by sectarian killings.

"For the first time in my life I saw a snow-rain like this falling in Baghdad," said Mohammed Abdul-Hussein, a 63-year-old retiree from the New Baghdad area.

'PENNSYLVANIA CASH 5'

Two players grab 'Cash 5' jackpot

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Two players matched all five winning numbers in Friday's "Pennsylvania Cash 5" game and will each receive $50,000.

Lottery officials said 84 players matched four numbers and won $400.50 each; 3,533 players matched three numbers and won $10.50 each; and 38,161 players matched two numbers and won $1 each.

Tuesday's "Pennsylvania Match 6 Lotto" jackpot will be worth at least $750,000 because no player holds a ticket with one row that matches all six winning numbers drawn in Friday's game.

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Cheers 'n Jeers

Here is a critical look at some of the events that helped shape life in the Mid-Mon Valley area during the past week:

To the Guardian Angels volunteers in Charleroi, who will be receiving their official uniforms today. As many as 10 members of the local chapter will be presented with the red berets, red satin jackets and white t-shirts that are symbols of the Angels. We congratulate those volunteers for their dedication to crime prevention and their desire to make their town safer.

To Donora officials for refusing to reopen the borough's dek hockey rink until it is repaired by the people who damaged it. Mayor John Lignelli told council about the poor condition of the Palmer Park facility and recommended keeping it closed until "those who use it learn how to take care of it and keep it clean."

To the Pittsburgh Penguins for giving Western Pennsylvania sports fans something to cheer about after the Steelers' early ouster from the playoffs. Between an eight-game winning streak and a thoroughly enjoyable Outdoor Classic, the Penguins are a fun team to watch.

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ANOTHER VIEW

The Philadelphia Inquirer on the city's new mayor:

Mayor Nutter prompted some laughter near the end of his 40-minute inaugural address Monday when he boasted, "The renaissance period of Philadelphia got started about a half-hour ago."

Of course, it was an over-the-top claim. Only Nutter's actions over the next four years will tell whether he is able to back up his lofty prediction.

But the broad goals Nutter outlined are the right priorities for achieving a rebirth of the city. People are eager for leadership to match rhetoric.

Imagine a Philadelphia in which the murder rate has been cut in half. Imagine a city school district that has halved its dropout rate. Meeting those two goals alone would revitalize the quality of life in the city beyond measure.

A mayor can't do it alone, but a mayor must set the tone. And the fervor that Nutter brought to the job on Day One was a wonder to behold. Nutter sounded like a mayor who wants to take on thugs single-handedly.

"This is our city and we're taking it back," the new mayor roared. "I've had enough and I'm not playing around about it!"

As for cutting dropout rates, the state needs to provide more resources. Education Secretary Gerald Zahorchak and Interim Philadelphia School CEO Tom Brady appeared surprised when told of Nutter's pledge. In a meeting with the Inquirer Editorial Board, Zahorchak said he had just started hiring full-time staff for a dropout prevention office.

No time like the present, Mr. Secretary.

Much of the new mayor's agenda is necessarily about the nuts and bolts of running a city. But Nutter holds special promise in coaxing more people to get involved in making Philadelphia a better place to live and work.

Enlisting more adults in mentoring programs will help more students stay in school. Encouraging more businesses to provide jobs for people emerging from prison will help to break unproductive cycles of crime and punishment. It is, as Nutter said, an economic, educational and moral imperative. And the job started Monday.

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Openness missing at secret retreat

Brad **BUMSTED**

House Democrats frequently tout their efforts to bring openness and transparency to the legislature.

Majority Leader Bill DeWeese, D-Greene County, told me recently that historians will eventually recognize the significance of the Speaker's Reform Commission, which recommended rules changes adopted by the House last year. Openness was a central theme.

Yet when Democrats huddled last week to consider the impact of a grand jury investigation into state bonuses and to reaffirm support for DeWeese they met behind closed doors at a Camp Hill hotel.

The day-long "retreat" was secret. Security guards employed by the state House stood guard at doors to keep reporters away.

Even when the event was over — as members were streaming out — security guards bounced reporters off the convention floor at the direction of DeWeese's staff. Appeals to Tom Andrews, DeWeese's press secretary, were to no avail.

All of this flew in the face of the spirit of reform evident in the reform commission's report and the House's commitment to passing a stronger Right to Know Law.

Now it is true that caucuses of both parties in the House and Senate routinely meet out of the public's view.

The state's Sunshine Law, which requires openness of local governments and postings of state meetings, doesn't apply to the legislative caucuses. Lawmakers exempted themselves.

No one is addressing that in the "reform era."

The Camp Hill retreat was especially egregious because what they were talking about involves matters that could be related to how the grand jury probe was handled. It's also outrageous because taxpayer funds were used for per diems (unvouchered expenses), "a light continental breakfast" and audio-visual equipment.

State-paid security guards were there to keep out the media. A "political luncheon" was not charged to taxpayers, DeWeese's spokesman said.

Another factor about the retreat that shows the arrogance at the Capitol is the large number of lawmakers who bolted from the meeting — refusing to stop and talk to reporters. Sure it's a free country. But there's no obligation to tell people what happened? To their credit, a handful — from Rep. Nick Kotik of McKees Rocks to Rep. Dave Levdansky of Elizabeth and Rep. Tim Mahoney of Uniontown — stopped to give their views.

But media-savvy Don Walko, a North Side lawmaker, waved off reporters from a mid-afternoon interview, saying he had to get back into the meeting. Some reporters call Walko "dial a quote" because he is articulate and accessible. But North Side Donnie took off.

Reform-minded Chelsa Wagner, a Beechview freshman, said she wouldn't comment "out of respect for the caucus."

Montgomery County Rep. Josh Shapiro, known as "Mr. Reform" for his role in co-chairing the reform commission, blew off one reporter. Shapiro is also, usually, a media hound.

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House Appropriations Chairman Dwight Evans of Philadelphia wouldn't stop to talk to a Philly radio reporter.

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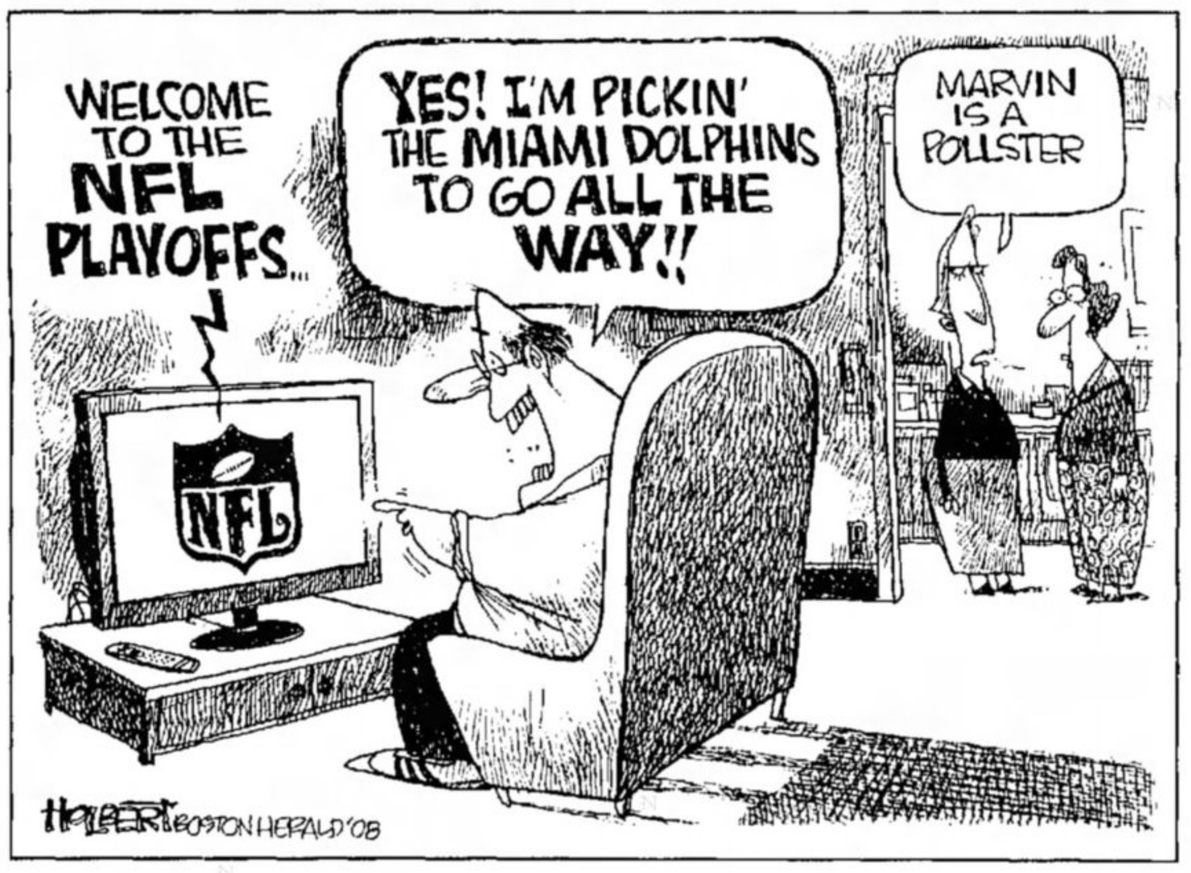
(A footnote: All four caucuses are under investigation by the attorney general on whether they awarded state-paid bonuses for campaign work. From what is known publicly, it has focused primarily on House Democrats. In fairness to the House Dems, the others, including their GOP House counterparts, may eventually have their day in the spotlight, too.)

Brad Bumsted is the Tribune-Review's state Capitol reporter.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Why Washington is broken

Cokie and Steve **ROBERTS**

Washington is broken. That's the slogan Mitt Romney adopted in the waning days of the New Hampshire primary. And while the former Massachusetts governor trailed John McCain, his three words captured the dominant mood of the presidential campaign so far.

Every one of the leading candidates repeated the word "change" as often as possible, like some mystical chant that would levitate them to victory. A typical comment came from Barack Obama: "The time has come to move beyond the bitterness and pettiness and anger that's consumed Washington."

Meanwhile, a group of moderates from both parties were meeting at the University of Oklahoma and issuing a statement that made the same point. The country, they said, was failing to address critical problems like budget deficits and energy independence "primarily because rampant partisanship has paralyzed the ability of government to act and lead."

They're right, and the country agrees. Only one in three voters approves of President Bush's performance; only one in four likes the Congress; three out of four say the country is headed in the wrong direction.

There are many reasons why the capital is "broken," but the core explanation is this: Both parties calculate almost every decision in terms of their political advantage, not the public interest. They want to win points, not solve problems. They are deathly afraid of angering their base supporters, and sharing credit with their rivals, even though that's the only possible way to get anything done.

Just look at one issue: health-insurance coverage for children (which Hillary Clinton stressed on the stump in winning New Hampshire). There is no better way to spend taxpayer dollars than keeping kids healthy and out of costly emergency rooms. Congress did pass a bipartisan measure extending coverage to 10 million children, but Bush vetoed it and lawmakers upheld his action.

The bill financed the expansion by raising tobacco taxes — a smart idea, since higher prices would also reduce teenage smoking. But the president adamantly refused to cross his most conservative supporters and consider tax increases of any kind. Democrats were also reluctant to compromise, believing that gridlock gives them a great issue for the fall campaign. Bottom line: paralysis.

If Washington can't get that one right, how can it deal with much tougher problems that will face the next president — global warming, uninsured adults, retiring baby boomers?

When political advantage is the only goal, any lawmaker who tries to reach across party lines immediately takes fire from his or her own ranks. Consider McCain's attempts to work with Democrats like Ted Kennedy on immigration reform. To hear his fellow Republicans, you'd think McCain represented Hades (Kennedy's home state), not Arizona.

Beyond this mind-set of hyper-partisanship, a series of structural problems makes fixing a "broken" capital even more difficult:

■ Congressional districts: More than 90 percent of House members are guaranteed re-election in safe districts, so they have virtually no incentive to listen to dissenters or cooperate with rivals.

■ Filibusters: This tactic has become the rule in the Senate, not a rarity, so most bills need 60 votes, not 50 — an extremely difficult standard in a closely divided country.

■ Polarization of the parties: Two critical political groups are disappearing, conservative Southern Democrats and progressive Northern Republicans. America is approaching a European model of ideological parties, liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans. As a result the "vital center" is increasingly a "no man's land" between entrenched purists.

■ Loss of civility: Too many politicians no longer respect each other, or the institutions they serve. Compromise has become a curse word. The defining moment of "broken" Washington came when Vice President Cheney told Democrat Pat Leahy, on the floor of the U.S. Senate, to perform an impossible physical act. This is Baghdad; this is politics as blood feud.

■ Interest groups: Huge amounts of money are poured into lobbying efforts and campaign coffers by special interests with only one goal: Preserving their own financial benefits. One example: Drug companies have defeated efforts forcing them to negotiate lower prices with the federal government, costing consumers a bundle.

Soup leaves you full, not fat

The science of volume eating can help reduce calorie intake.

By JIM ROMANOFF
For The Associated Press

The success of a healthy diet often relies on your ability to work it seamlessly into your lifestyle.

Of course, if that was easy, Americans wouldn't have an obesity problem. But there are ways to make it easier. And understanding a bit about the science of satiety — the sense of fullness that triggers us to stop eating — is a good start.

Barbara Rolls, an obesity researcher at Pennsylvania State University, specializes in that science. And her research has shown that when it comes to sticking with a healthy diet, volume matters.

The title of her book sums it up: "The Volumetrics Eating Plan: Techniques and Recipes for Feeling Full on Fewer Calories."

She has found that most people eat the same volume of food every day, regardless of whether the actual number of calories varies. This tendency can be used to the dieter's advantage.

If a person's body craves a particular amount of food to feel satisfied, providing that volume with low-calorie foods is a simple strategy for eating fewer calories without feeling deprived.

Asian food is great for trying this with because low-calorie and high-fiber brown rice and vegetables are key ingredients.

For example, if you normally would eat a plate of sweet-and-sour chicken, try filling half your plate with brown rice and steamed vegetables before adding the chicken. This bulks your meal with healthy foods and still allows you to enjoy a favorite dish.

Some other tips for using volume to your advantage:

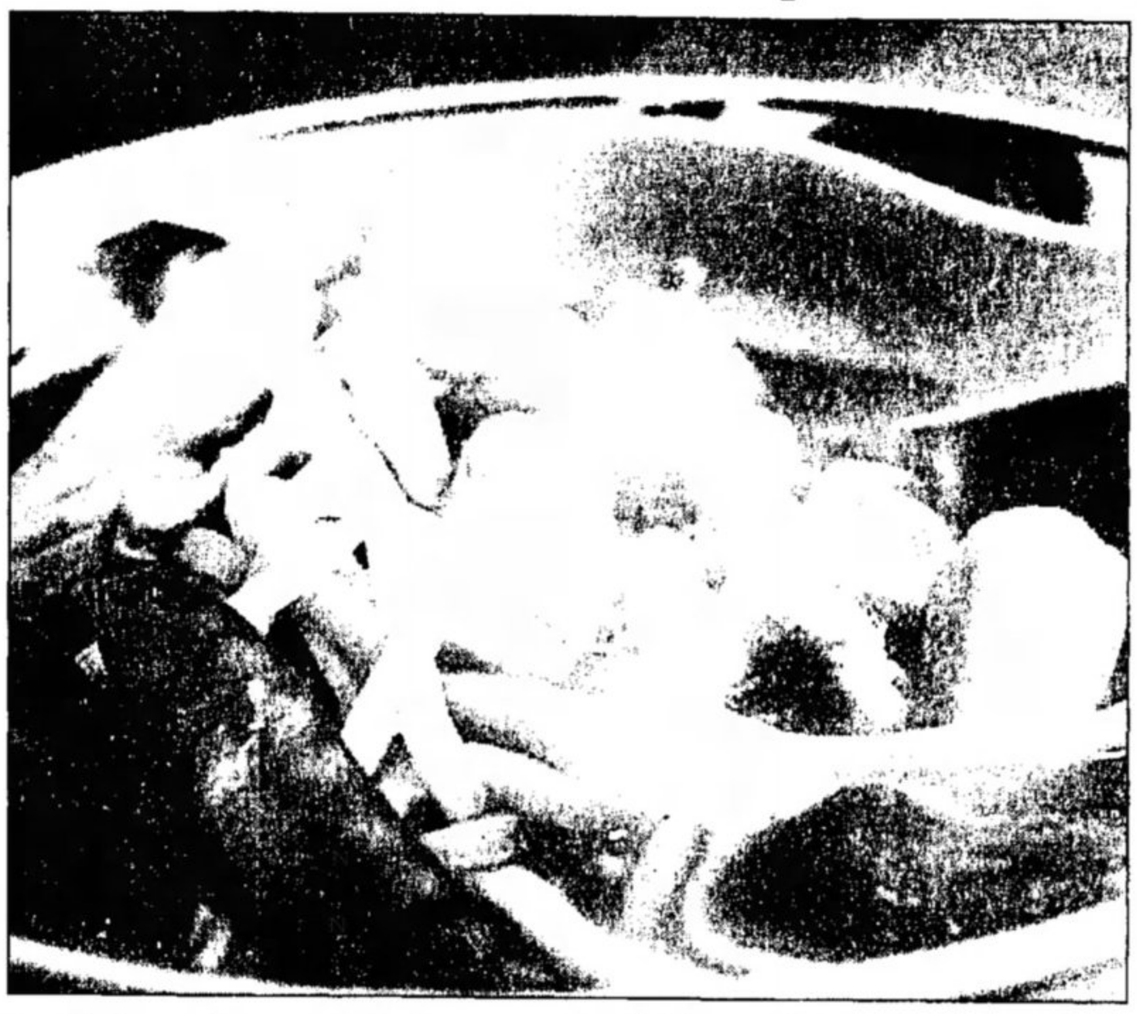
- Eating the recommended 5 cups of fruits and vegetables a day will help you fill full.
- When you're cooking, add more vegetable or whole grains to the recipe. This adds bulk, but fewer calories.
- Eat fewer dry foods, such as breads, crackers and pretzels. They tend to be calorie dense and easy to overeat.
- Stick to beverages that are nutrient-rich, such as vegetable juices or low-fat dairy drinks (which also are more filling than soda).

Eating soup, especially those that are broth- and not cream-based, is another good strategy. Soups are an easy way to fill up on low-calorie vegetables and liquid.

This ginger, garlic and soy sauce-spiked Chinese-style chicken noodle soup gets plenty of flavor from reduced-sodium chicken broth, low-fat boneless, skinless chicken breasts and plenty of vegetables.

The soup also includes long

(See SOUP, Page 8A)



If you can reach that sense of fullness that tells you to stop eating by eating healthier, lower calorie food you may be able to stick to your diet this time. Many Asian foods, such as this bowl of Asian-style Chicken Noodle Soup, can give you the volume you crave while holding back on calories.

Associated Press

SCHOOL MENUS

BELLE VERNON AREA
Breakfast

Daily – Cereal, super bun or doughnut, toaster pastry, toasted bun/ peanut butter, assorted juices, fruit, assorted milks.

Monday – Fruit, waffle with sausage pattie and syrup.

Tuesday – Orange juice, English muffin with egg, ham and cheese.

Wednesday – Orange juice, breakfast sausage pizza.

Thursday – Orange juice, sausage and pancake stick with syrup.

Friday – Cold cereal, sugar, apple, cinnamon toast.

Lunch

Daily – Chef salad/roll, sliced turkey or ham/ or peanut butter and jelly/or cheese on a roll, lettuce, tomato and pickle, fresh fruit, vegetable, milk.

Monday – Baked chicken strip dinner/ BBQ sauce, egg noodles/hot roll, steamed green beans, chilled mixed fruit.

Tuesday – Cheeseburger/ hamburger on bun, lettuce and pickle, oven fries/catsup, minestrone soup/crackers, chilled applesauce.

Wednesday – Grilled chicken pita sandwich, lettuce/dressing/ steamed corn, potato wedge/ catsup, chilled peaches.

Thursday – BBQ rib sandwich/bun/BBQ sauce, macaroni and cheese/cole slaw, fruit snack.

Friday – Cheese pizza (red or white) or garlic breadsticks/spaghetti sauce, w/wo cheese sticks, tossed salad/dressing, chilled pineapple.

CALIFORNIA AREA
Breakfast

Monday – Donut, juice, cereal.

Tuesday – Wheat toast, juice, pancake sausage on stick.

Wednesday – Cereal, juice, assorted muffins.

Thursday – Donut, cereal, juice.

Friday – Breakfast sausage pizza, wheat toast, juice.

Lunch

Daily – Milk.

Monday – Sloppy joe or jumbo taco, corn, salsa, assorted fruit.

Tuesday – Chicken nuggets, roll, parslied potatoes, assorted fruit.

Wednesday – Hot dog on bun, oven baked beans, bite size pretzels, warm peach crisp.

Thursday – Lasagna/meat sauce, tossed salad, roll, assorted fruit.

Friday – Pasado tortilla wrap/meat, vegetables and sauces, baked potato, sour cream, strawberry shortcake with topping.

CHARLEROI AREA
Breakfast

Daily – Cereal or yogurt with muffin, juice, milk.

Monday – Super doughnuts.

Tuesday – Sausage biscuits.

Wednesday – Assorted Danish.

Thursday – Yogurt cup with graham crackers.

Friday – Funnel cake.

Lunch

Daily – Milk.

Monday – Breaded chicken sandwich or steak and cheese hoagie, corn, mandarin oranges.

Tuesday – White Sicilian pizza or egg salad sandwich on rye, curly fries, banana.

Wednesday – Nachos with beef and cheese or grilled chicken sandwich, salad, pears.

Thursday – Open-faced pizza burger, corn dog with roll, green beans, peaches.

Friday – Pizza or fish nuggets, peas, assorted fruit.

GEIBEL CATHOLIC
Lunch

Daily – Milk.

Monday – Chicken patty, scalloped potatoes, vegetable, dessert.

Tuesday – Grilled cheese, tomato soup, tater tots, dessert.

Wednesday – Hot ham and cheese sandwich, potatoes wedge, vegetable, dessert.

Thursday – Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, pudding.

Friday – Pizza, tossed salad, fruit, dessert.

MONESSEN
Breakfast

Daily – Cereal with graham crackers, fruit juice, milk.

Monday – Funnel cake.

Tuesday – Jumbo waffle with syrup.

Wednesday – Sausage and cheese muffin.

Thursday – Cinnamon roll.

Friday – Breakfast pizza.

Lunch

Daily – Fruit choice, milk.

Monday – Buffalo chicken on a bun or taco pizza slice, French fries or mixed vegetables.

Tuesday – Hot turkey sandwich with gravy or ham and cheese hoagie, French fries or peas.

Wednesday – Steak and cheese hoagie or chicken parm on a bun, potato wedges or tossed salad.

Thursday – Meatball hoagie or macaroni and cheese, French fries or corn.

Friday – Sloppy joe on a bun or hot Sicilian melt, broccoli or green beans

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Game-day taco soup

Use your slow cooker to please guests with this delicious dish.

COOKING WITH CYNTHIA

As all of you know by now, no one loves a slow cooker more than I do. I especially don't like to be doing my cooking when a game is on or I have company that I would like to enjoy.

That's why I experimented with another recipe found for taco soup. I first tasted this delicious soup from a frozen food sales company and I loved it. Then I thought why not make this in the slow cooker on a game day and serve it to my guests. It is very satisfying, too, so you don't need to add anything else except maybe a salad buffet where guests can help themselves.

Ingredients:

2-3 pounds lean stew meat finely diced (amount depends on how much meat you like)
2 large onions, peeled and diced
4 cloves garlic, peeled and diced
3 15-ounce cans of light kidney beans
1 bag frozen whole-kernel corn (thawed)
3 large cans diced tomatoes in juice
3 cans green chiles
1 small can pitted black olives, drained and sliced
1/2 cup pitted green olives, drained and sliced
1 package dry ranch dressing mix
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
Salt and pepper to taste
Extra virgin olive oil
8-ounce package shredded Monterey Jack cheese
Taco chips
Low-fat sour cream
Pickled and sliced Jalapeno peppers for garnish

Directions:

In some extra virgin olive oil, brown the meat with the onions, garlic, salt and pepper. Add drippings and meat to slow cooker. Add the beans, corn, tomatoes, chiles, both olives, ranch dressing, cayenne pepper and some salt and pepper. Cook on low for about 8 hours.

Place on buffet, the sour cream, taco chips, shredded cheese and Jalapeno peppers. Spoon soup into bowls and let guests garnish as they wish.

Soup (FROM PAGE SEVEN)

Chinese noodles, which are considered symbolic of a long healthy life and often are included in Chinese New Year celebrations.

To complete the theme, serve this soup with some fresh orange wedges with a sprinkle of five-spice powder.

CHINESE-STYLE CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP

Start to finish: 20 minutes (10 minutes active)
Servings: 4

1 teaspoon canola oil
1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
Two 14-ounce cans reduced-sodium chicken broth
3 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1/2 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
1 tablespoon cornstarch
4 ounces Chinese wheat noodles
3 cups frozen sugar snap pea vegetable stir-fry mix

In a large pot, heat the oil over medium-high. Add the garlic and ginger and cook, stirring constantly, until fragrant and begin to turn golden, about 1 minute.

Add the broth, soy sauce and vinegar. Cover the pot and bring to a simmer.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, toss chicken with cornstarch. Add to the simmering broth along with the noodles. Return to a simmer and cook until the noodles are tender and the chicken is no longer pink in the center, about 3 minutes. Stir in the vegetables and cook until they are heated through.

Nutrition information per serving: 237 calories; 5 g fat (1 g saturated); 23 mg cholesterol; 32 g carbohydrate; 21 g protein; 4 g fiber; 808 mg sodium.

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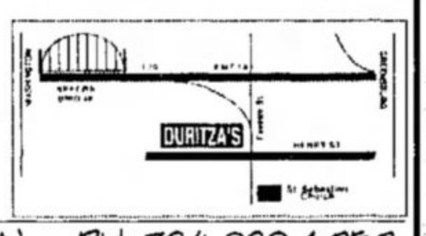

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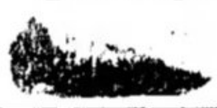

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Jones sent to jail

Disgraced Olympic sprinter Marion Jones was sentenced Friday to six months in prison. **2B**

Valley SPORTS

Ovechkin an All-Star

Washington's Alex Ovechkin was among 15 players chosen Friday to fill out the NHL's Eastern All-Stars. **2B**

No contest this time

Monessen had to stage a late rally to beat Beth-Center earlier this year, but Friday's game wasn't close at all. **2B**

Sports Trivia

Who are the four quarterbacks the New England Patriots have drafted in the first round in their history? **2B**

Last night's scores

Columbus 6, St. Louis 4
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Brian **HERMAN**

Erie makes Rats coach feel at home

Like his boss, owner Jeff Hauser, RiverRats coach Shawn Liotta has mixed emotions over his indoor football team's move this week from the Mid-Mon Valley to Erie.

"I'm both happy and sad about the switch," admitted Liotta. 'I think we're in a much better situation in Erie. We tried to do a lot of community-oriented things in the Valley but the business community didn't seem to want to get on board."

It didn't take Erie long to make Liotta feel at home.

"When we had our press conference there, three television stations and a couple of newspapers showed up," he said.

The announcement in 2007 at the Ice Garden that the RiverRats would be playing their first year there attracted three sportswriters and a photographer.

However, what really opened Liotta's eyes has been the acknowledgement on the internet from the Erie fans.

"I've been getting a ton of e-mail," he said. "I never got that kind of response before."

The RiverRats will be playing in front of a lot more fans at their home games in 2008 at the 5,600-seat Tullio Arena.

Despite being the league's worst team in 2007, the Erie Freeze's attendance more than doubled that of the playoff-bound RiverRats.

"I can remember looking out from the locker room before a game and seeing 40 fans in the stands," he said.

Although a number of players will have to do a lot more traveling, especially Monessen's Brandon Jackson and Ringgold's T.J. Carden, Liotta looks for the team to stay intact.

"I contacted all the players and they're excited," he said. "We will hold practices in the Pittsburgh area because Jeff (Hauser) understands the guys we started with were recruited to play from the Pittsburgh area. We'll probably have a shuttle from Erie for practices and our players will be housed in Erie."

■ Two of the better high school basketball players to come out of the area in recent years will be on television this weekend.

Ben McCauley, Yough's all-time leading scorer, will be on display at noon today on ESPN when his North Carolina State team visits No. 1 and unbeaten North Carolina in its Atlantic Coast Conference opener.

A 6-10 junior, McCauley has started only four games for the Wolfpack after losing his job to one of the country's premier freshman 6-9, 242-pound J.J. Hickson. Hickson leads the Wolfpack in scoring (16.5) and rebounding (7.7) and averages 27.5 minutes on the floor.

McCauley is scoring at 5.9 point clip with a 4.3 average on the boards. He's averaging 21 minutes in playing time.

Last year McCauley was the only Wolfpack player to start all 36 games. He averaged 14 points and almost

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California captures 'lucky one'

Trojans able to overcome mistakes for overtime win over Geibel.

By JEREMY SELLEW
For The Valley Independent

COAL CENTER — Many believe the road to winning the Class A Section 2 championship runs through the California Trojans.

No one told the Geibel Gators.

The Trojans were able to overcome numerous turnovers and sloppy play to fend off the Gators 53-49 in overtime Friday.

"That's a lucky one," Trojans coach Phil Pergola said. "I don't know if we were overconfident. We had a really great practice; we didn't shoot the ball well early. We had a chance to put them away early, but we also gave them the opportunity to put us away as well."

The first quarter started slowly as neither team blemished the scoreboard until midway through the quarter. The Trojans (10-4, 5-0) used a Ben Carson layup at the buzzer to gain an 8-6 lead.

"I think maybe we were trying to be a little too fancy," Pergola said. "We were trying to make things happen instead of letting things happen."

Things began happening in the second as Trojan senior Travis VanOlst unleashed a monstrous dunk that got the crowd and his team into the game. It started a 9-2 run that pushed the California lead to 17-8.

"I think Travis played a great game," Pergola said. "I thought Ben Carson did well, and I think Donte (Valentino) just about played his worst game ever.

The 6-6 VanOlst finished with a game-high 25 points and 12 rebounds while Valentino had 11 points and five assists, but committed numerous turnovers.

Associated Press

California's Jordan Michaux, left, ties the game in regulation Friday despite the defensive effort of Geibel's Ed Stotts.

The Trojans' lead was short-lived, as the Gators' long range attack accounted for three 3-pointers in the final moments.

The lead was cut to five at the half when the Gators' senior guard Brendan Constantino sunk a half-court heave as the buzzer sounded.

"I kept telling our kids that you're never out of the ballgame," Gators coach Ken Misiak said. "They really weren't on the top of their game. I think most people thought we were going to come in here and get beat by 20 points, including California."

That was nearly the case in the second half, as two more VanOlst dunks and two Carson free throws helped push the Trojans' lead to 38-25. A basket by the Gators' Ryan Craft cut the lead to 38-29 going into the fourth quarter.

Following a Valentino layup, the Trojans went cold, mirroring the first quarter and not scoring for nearly four minutes. That allowed Geibel to go on a 13-3 run, capped off by a Mark Gira three-pointer that gave the Gators a 42-41 lead.

After Geibel (3-9, 2-2) snatched the lead, Cal went to their big man underneath as VanOlst wasn't able to connect, but drew a foul and knocked down the free throws giving the lead back to Cal.

Cal's Jordan Michaux extended the lead to 45-42, but Geibel's Tyler Erdely stepped up and nailed a tying 3-pointer with 22 seconds left to send the game into overtime.

Confidence was the word echoing throughout the gym as Misiak shouted instruction to his team.

"We have good shooters on this team," he

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BVA dominates second half

Leps benefit from faster pace in 69-46 victory over Yough.

By BILL HUGHES
For The Valley Independent

HERMINIE — Charles Dickens wrote "A Tale of Two Cities" in 1859.

Almost 150 years later, Belle Vernon Area and Yough played in a Class AAA Section 5 tilt that could be named "A Tale of Two Halves."

The first half was dictated at Yough's slow pace while the second half was played to BVA's fast-paced liking.

In the end, BVA ran away from Yough , 69-46.

"Yough set the pace early," BVA coach John Dudzinski said. "They played great defense and we knew coming in that they would."

With Yough (6-9, 2-3) playing at a deliberate pace, the Cougars led 12-10 after one quarter. But according to its coach, Ed Marko, the lead could have been a lot bigger.

"We didn't hit shots," he said in a disappointed tone. "When you play in your gym and you are playing mostly seniors, you should be hitting shots.

"They came in here with mostly freshmen and sophomores and hit shots in our gym."

BVA (11-4, 4-1) outscored Yough 17-11 in the second quarter and led 27-23 at halftime.

The Leopards finally recorded their first lead with 3:57 left in the first half when Jacob Dudzinski hit two free throws to make it 15-14.

Leading 35-32 with 2:41 left in the third quarter, BVA went on a mind-boggling 10-point run in 56 seconds to put the game out of reach.It was keyed by the play of Cory Williams, who sat out most of the first half in foul trouble. Williams started the Leps' spurt with a three-pointer.

BVA went into a full-court press after the basket Bo Lustig stole the inbounds pass and hit Josh Pohlot for a lay-up. Pohlot was fouled and hit the free throw to give BVA a 41-32 lead.

After a Yough timeout, the Leopards stole the ball again and Williams made a putback.

As Yough inbounded the ball again, Dudzinski stole a pass at half court and hit Pohlot with a pass for another lay-up.

> "When you play in your gym and you are playing mostly seniors, you should be hitting shots. They came in here with mostly freshmen and sophomores and hit shots in our gym."
>
> Yough coach Ed Marko

The run gave the Leopards a 45-32 lead and they never looked back.

"Cory's defense sparked us," the elder Dudzinski said. "It got us going."

Marko said his team was ready for the press.

"We knew everything they were bringing at us," Marko said. "This team was prepared for Belle Vernon. We just didn't do what we had to do."

Dudzinski led BVA with 23 points while Pohlot (18) and Lustig (11) also hit double figures for BVA.

Ben Hoffer was high for Yough with 21 points.

With the win, BVA took over first place because West Mifflin edged Steel Valley, 45-43.

The Leopards play at Uniontown Tuesday and host Trinity Wednesday before heading to West Mifflin for a key section contest Friday.

Yough heads to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday for an exhibition contest.

NOTES: Pohlot led BVA with 10 rebounds while John Naylor added seven boards ... Dudzinski had seven boards and five assists ... Williams also added five assists ... BVA won the rebounding battle, 36-20.

Associated Press

New England quarterback Tom Brady has ointment rubbed on his throwing arm before practice.

Every second matters for Patriots, Jaguars

Both teams talk about the need to stay sharp for the entire game.

By HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — The clock ticks down and the pressure builds. Often, the final minutes of a game are the most important.

The Patriots stayed undefeated with a touchdown with 44 seconds left in their 12th game. The Jaguars won their playoff game last weekend on a field goal with 37 seconds remaining.

Tonight, the final minutes of the AFC divisional playoff game between those teams will be the final minutes of the season for one of them.

"Whoever is playing their best football at the end is going to be winning the game," New England cornerback Ellis Hobbs said. "They're a team that obviously is not going to back down and we're not going to back down from them."

Jacksonville (12-5) advanced with a 31-29 win at Pittsburgh that was decided by Josh Scobee's 25-yard field goal followed by a recovery of Ben Roethlisberger's fumble.

"When we bring that intensity and energy to the game for 60 minutes," Jaguars cornerback Terry Cousin said, "I like what we are going to do."

Even if the Patriots, two-touchdown favorites, are way

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SPORTS

Hounds race past Beth-Center

Terrance Stepoli scores 18 as Monessen cruises to 79-42 victory.

Monessen was hard pressed to beat Beth-Center in its Class AA Section 5 opener at home.

The Greyhounds went on an 8-0 run in the final 67 seconds to pull out a 44-39 victory.

It was a different story in Friday's rematch at Fredericktown.

The Greyhounds rolled to an easy 79-42 win.

Freshman Terrance Stepoli led Monessen (13-4, 8-0) with a game-high 18 points.

Delmar Pritchett and Tim Tyree, who didn't play in the first meeting, added 16 and 12 points, respectively.

Tyree also had seven assists and five rebounds.

Pritchett scored 11 of his points in the first half when the Greyhounds stretched a 23-10 first-quarter lead to 47-18.

Levi Whited topped the Bulldogs (3-13, 0-8) with 13 points.

Monessen, which has won five straight, resumes Tuesday at Chartiers-Houston.

In another Class AA Section 5 contest, Charleroi posted a 53-44 win at Brownsville to avenge a 13-point home loss.

The Cougars (7-9, 3-5) broke open a 24-21 contest by outscoring the Falcons, 14-5, in the third quarter.

Taylor Andrisko led Charleroi with 25 points including nine of 10 at the foul line in the fourth quarter.

Ethan Hank followed with 11 points while Elo Obade had nine rebounds and blocked three shots.

Andy Roberts topped Brownsville (8-8, 4-4) with 20 points.

Charleroi hosts Waynesburg Tuesday.

Ringgold slipped into a three-way tie for third place in Class AAA Section 4 with a 68-60 loss at South Park.

The Rams (5-13, 2-3), who've lost nine of 10, trailed 26-19 at halftime and 42-38 going into the fourth quarter.

R.J. Brownlee had a game-high 28 points for the Rams including 26 in the second half. Brownlee made 15 of 18 free throws.

Dave Bassi added 12 points for the Rams.

South Park (5-10, 2-3) was led by Doug Smith with 25 points.

Ringgold is home with West Mifflin Tuesday.

In Class AAA Section 5, Thomas Jefferson sent Elizabeth Forward down to its 12th straight defeat, 53-37.

The Jaguars outscored the Warriors, 15-3, in the third quarter after holding a slim 21-19 halftime advantage.

Elizabeth's Jared Cunning and TJ's Dean Langholz both scored 17 points.

The Warriors (2-13, 0-5) visit Derry tonight.

Bentworth and Frazier were losers in Class A Section 3.

Serra spotted Bentworth a 20-19 first quarter lead before bouncing back for a 77-50 win.

T.J. Heatherington (22) and Anthony Epolito (20) combined for 42 points for the Eagles.

Joe Kennedy (16) and Jon Kennedy (14) topped Bentworth (10-4, 5-2).

Frazier fell to Avella, 66-54.

Frank Bartolomucci and Derek Miller looked best for the Commodores (1-13, 0-7) with 17 and 15 points, respectively.

Boys' basketball roundup

Trojans (FROM PAGE ONE)

said. "Go out there with confidence and hit a shot."

The overtime period began with VanOlst and Craft exchanging layups. Unfortunately for the Gators, that was the last point they scored in the extra session until there was 48 seconds remaining.

Another VanOlst basket and two Valentino free throws gave the Trojans a 51-47 lead. Geibel seemed to have life when Gira was awarded three free throw attempts after being fouled on his 3-point attempt. He knocked down two, leaving the Gators forced to foul again.

Cal's Jordan Michaux hit one of two with four seconds left to wrap it up for the Trojans.

"We had our opportunities," Misiak said. "Our kids did a good job. There's no happiness in a loss, but it's a positive move for our players. We'll see them at our place."

With the Trojans finishing the first half of section play unblemished, Pergola isn't taking anything for granted.

"We'll take that win," Pergola said. "All it does is put us in first place but it certainly doesn't assure us of anything yet. I still think the section goes through Geibel and Carmichaels."

NOTES: Carson finished with only five points, but grabbed eight rebounds ... Craft and Gira topped Geibel with 18 and 14 points, respectively ... The Trojans are off until Friday when they host West Greene.

Ovechkin among All-Star additions

NEW YORK (AP) — Alex Ovechkin's big week got even better Friday when the super scorer received his second straight selection to the NHL All-Star game.

The Washington Capitals star, who agreed to a 13-year, $124 million contract extension with the club on Thursday, was one of 15 players chosen to fill out the Eastern Conference roster. The 22-year-old Russian made his All-Star debut last year in Dallas and figures to be a staple in the midseason exhibition for years to come.

He scored 52 goals in his rookie season and followed that with a 46-goal effort last season. Now with 32 goals, he is second to Atlanta's Ilya Kovalchuk, also chosen for the East squad. Kovalchuk has 36 goals.

Ovechkin might as well get to know New York Islanders goalie Rick DiPietro and fellow forward Mike Richards of Philadelphia, a pair of first-time All-Stars who beat him to the punch in signing landmark long-term deals.

This trio could be headlining the Eastern Conference squad for the better part of a decade. For now, they will set their sights on this year's game to be played Jan. 27 in Atlanta.

DiPietro, who signed a 15-year, $67.5 million deal before the 2006-07 season, entered play Friday with 16 wins and a 2.52 goals-against average. He made his first All-Star team in his sixth season, eight years after becoming the first goalie chosen with the No. 1 pick in the NHL draft.

Richards has 19 goals and 47 points in 41 games, prompting the Flyers to reward him with a 12-year, $69-million contract extension last month.

Richards and DiPietro join starting defenseman Andrei Markov of Montreal, and Ottawa forward Jason Spezza as East players making their All-Star debuts.

The full Western squad announced Thursday featured seven first-timers, chosen by the NHL's hockey operations department in consultation with the league's 30 general managers. Of the 21 players on the East team, 12 took part in last year's game.

Spezza will be joined by returnee Dany Heatley, his Ottawa linemate, who was the All-Star MVP when he scored four goals in the 2003 game. The third member of the high-flying line, Daniel Alfredsson, will be a starter.

Joining them up front are Scott Gomez of the New York Rangers, Atlanta's Marian Hossa, Carolina's Eric Staal and Tampa Bay's Martin St. Louis.

Florida's Tomas Vokoun will split time in goal with DiPietro and starter Martin Brodeur of New Jersey.

They will have Vokoun's former Predators teammate Kimmo Timonen of Philadelphia protecting them on defense along with Buffalo's Brian Campbell, Sergei Gonchar of Pittsburgh, and Toronto's Tomas Kaberle.

SPORTS HISTORY

30 Years Ago

Lori Milika (16) and Melanie Moskola (15) combined for 31 points in Monessen's 66-24 romp over Charleroi.

Donna Coda and Karen Daniels both had 11 points in Belle Vernon Area, 53-50, victory over Ringgold.

Highly touted high school quarterback Art Schlichter picked Ohio State over Penn State.

20 Years Ago

California University's basketball team was off to its best start ever at 10-2 following a 75-73 win over Glenville behind Joe Miller's 23 points.

Jimbo Malinchak scored 22 points in Monessen's 76-65 win over Clairton.

Frazier downed California, 56-44, behind Matt Lafko's 18 points.

Craig Taylor had 16points in Ringgold's 73-61 loss to West Mifflin.

Chuck Kelley's 18 points were high in Belle Vernon Area's 72-54 defeat to Tri-Valley.

The Pittsburgh Pirates' Willie Stargell was elected to the baseball Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility.

10 Years Ago

Belle Vernon Area, the state's No. 1 ranked Class AAA team, upped its record to 16-1 and winning streak to 15 with a 63-49 win over Peters Township behind 14 points from both Matt Eisley and Seth Miller.

Rob Garofalo, Dave Stein and Paul Figel all had 12 points in Monessen's 58-49 win at Frazier.

Charleroi dropped Fort Cherry, 75-54, behind Jarrod Essey's 19 points.

Tim O'Rourke scored 24 points in Ringgold's 59-48 loss to South Park.

Patriots (FROM PAGE ONE)

ahead, don't expect them to let up.

They put Tom Brady back in the game in the fourth quarter of a 49-28 win after the Miami Dolphins made it 42-21 on an interception return for a touchdown against backup Matt Cassel. And Brady didn't leave a 52-7 win over Washington until it was 45-0.

Coach Bill Belichick's message was clear: play all-out no matter what the score. It will become second nature when the games are tight.

In last year's AFC championship game, the Patriots coughed up an 18-point lead and lost to Indianapolis 38-34 on Joseph Addai's touchdown with 60 seconds to go, followed by Marlin Jackson's interception with 24 seconds left.

So from the first play of this regular season until the last, Belichick's "60 Minutes" mantra was implanted in their minds.

"Teams are too good and athletes are too good at this level to not finish the game off," Patriots linebacker Mike Vrabel said. "We've seen other teams come back on us, not this year but certainly as soon as last year."

Their closest call in their 16-0 season came on a Monday night in Baltimore.

Trailing 24-20, Brady threw an 8-yard touchdown pass to Jabar Gaffney with 44 seconds left.

"Bill does a great job of putting us in those situations in practice," Gaffney said. "When they happen, it's all about your keeping your composure."

Still, the Ravens nearly pulled the game out with a desperation, 52-yard completion to Mark Clayton. But backup linebacker Eric Alexander tackled him at the 3-yard line with the scoreboard showing no time left and the Patriots leading 27-24.

"We've had some games in the last month that basically took 60 minutes and that, I think, have gotten us used to playoff football," linebacker Tedy Bruschi said.

The Jaguars already have their last-minute playoff win.

They squandered an 18-point lead — just as the Patriots did in the AFC title game — but came back to beat the Steelers on Scobee's kick.

SPORTS DIGEST

Ringgold loses to Bethel Park

The winning streak is over for the Ringgold High girls' basketball team. It ended at 11 when the Lady Rams dropped a 49-36 decision to Class AAAA Bethel Park in a non-section contest.

Ringgold (12-3) jumped out to a 17-8 first quarter lead before Bethel Park went ahead by outscoring the Lady Rams, 31-13, in the next 16 minutes.

Emily Schartner had a game-high 17 points before fouling out for Ringgold. Schartner had 13 points in the first half and four free throws in the second half.

Alina Selby added 10 points for the Lady Rams.

Freshman Candace Martino topped Bethel Park (7-9) with 16 points.

Ringgold goes to Elizabeth Forward Monday.

Mon Valley Thunder resumes on road

The Mon Valley Thunder will hit the road for weekend games in the Class A Mid-Atlantic League.

The Thunder (6-12-3) visit Valley Forge (7-13-1) for an 8 p.m. contest today before playing at front-running Indiana (21-1) Sunday at 4 p.m.

The Thunder may have leading scorer Joey Olson (20 goals and 26 assists) back after playing with Johnstown in the ECHL. Gary Klapkowski has scored 14 goals and 14 assists in 10 games.

Charleroi downs Monessen, 47-41

The trio of Kyle Shannon (16), Tyler Corbitt (12) and Rodney Watkins (10) combined for 38 points in Charleroi Junior High's 47-41 win over Monessen.

Jeff Francia and Josh Stepoli were high for Monessen with 17 and 10 points, respectively.

Monessen (9-2) visits Steel Valley Monday and Charleroi (7-3) is home with East Allegheny Tuesday.

Ringgold beats BV Area, 46-40

Ringgold Junior High's basketballers upped their record to 7-2 with a 46-40 win over Belle Vernon Area with Josh Burnisky and Dylan Patch both scoring 15 points.

Pitt promotes Hafley to secondary coach

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Jeff Hafley, a graduate assistant for the last two seasons, was promoted Friday to secondary coach at the University of Pittsburgh.

Hafley was an assistant at Albany for four seasons before joining Pitt's staff. He replaces Chris Ball, who recently returned to Washington State as assistant head coach, co-defensive coordinator and the secondary coach.

Pitt coach Dave Wannstedt also said offensive line coach Paul Dunn would not return after spending three seasons on the staff. Offensive line play has been a persistent problem since Wannstedt took over in 2005.

Pirates sign two to minor league deals

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pirates signed catcher Raul Chavez and utilityman Jose Macias to minor league contracts on Friday.

Chavez has a .212 career average with four home runs and 169 career games with Montreal, Seattle, Houston and Baltimore, breaking into the majors in 1996. The 34-year-old Chavez had a .221 average with four homers and 31 RBIs in 86 games for the Yankees' Triple A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre farm club last season.

Macias, who turns 34 later this month, has played in 659 major league games with Detroit, Montreal and the Chicago Cubs, last appearing in the majors with the Cubs in 2005. He has a .256 career average.

Last season, Macias played first base, second base, third base, left field and center field at various times for the Brewers' Triple-A Nashville farm club, hitting .242 with two homers and 32 RBIs in 107 games.

Six-month jail sentence for Jones

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Marion Jones said she was scared. She said she was sorry. With a catch in her voice, she said her young sons needed her.

"I ask you to be as merciful as a human being can be," she implored the judge.

To no avail.

The former Olympic track gold medalist was sentenced to six months in prison Friday for lying to investigators about using performance-enhancing drugs and her role in a check-fraud scam.

Trivia answer

Jack Concannon (1964), Jim Plunkett (1971), Tony Eason (1983) and Drew Bledsoe (1993).

Bill HUGHES

Orton gaining popularity backstage?

Randy Orton has long been looked at as immature and a problem backstage.

But slowly but surely, he is being viewed as a locker room leader for standing up to Triple H and Shawn Michaels. Word going around backstage is that Orton does not tolerate Triple H's apparent "superstar attitude" nor Michaels' rumored "I'm a legend and show me respect" act behind the scenes.

The most recent act was at the Raw "Tribute to the Troops" from Iraq.

Umaga had a new pair of tights to wear but Michaels supposedly chewed him out because they resembled Triple H's outfit. Michaels told Umaga to take them off, but Orton got involved and he told Umaga to leave them on, which he did.

This is not the first time this type of action took place.

A while back, former WWE wrestler Christian (now known as Christian Cage in TNA) and Test were told to cut their long hair short, which both first refused to do but then did it. While no official reason was given, many believe it was so Triple H could have the long blonde hair look all to himself.

Orton did an interview earlier this week where he stated that it time for the "over-40 club" of Triple H, Michaels and the Undertaker to step aside to allow the next generation to shine.

While Orton should be commended for standing up for what he believes in when lesser known wrestlers would be fired for doing the same thing, he is wrong in wanting the older wrestlers to step aside.

Whether anyone likes the three older guys Orton mentioned or not, they are the ones who know how to tell a story in the ring and whether the younger guys like them on a personal level or not. They need to watch the veterans' in-ring craft as they truly are three of the all-time best as what they do.

TNA star to WWE?

There have been some rumblings about multiple time TNA tag team champion "Wildcat" Chris Harris agreed to terms with the WWE. His TNA contract apparently runs out next week and he may have already verbally agreed to a contract with the WWE. He can not legally sign it until his TNA deal expires.

Rock at inductions?

The WWE may be trying to lure the Rock to WrestleMania weekend.

Apparently, the WWE wants the Rock to induct both his father, Rocky Johnson, and his late grandfather, Peter Maivia.

The Hall of Fame ceremonies take place the night before Mania, and then the inductees appear at Mania.

When a deceased wrestler in inducted, his presenter appears. In the case with Maivia, the Rock would appear for his deceased grandfather.

Is it going to happen? It would be a big draw for the WWE to get the Rock back at a WrestleMania. He has not appeared at one since Wrestlemania 20 in 2004.

Wrestling fun fact

Ric Flair has been wrestling professionally for over 35 years, dating back to his debut in late 1972.

Last week, the Brandon (Fla.) Eagles lost a wrestling dual meet to South Dade, 32-28, ending their streak of 459 straight dual meet wins, which dated back to early 1972, prior to Ric Flair's debut.

The winning streak was the longest for any team in the history of high school sports in the United States.

Flair deserves a "Whoo!" for his career while the Brandon Eagles deserve a "Wow!"

SPORTS

NHL standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	25	15	3	53	107	99
Pittsburgh	25	16	2	52	127	116
Philadelphia	22	15	4	48	128	113
N.Y. Islanders	20	17	5	45	100	117
N.Y. Rangers	20	19	5	45	107	115

Northeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	28	10	4	60	151	118
Montreal	22	13	8	52	135	122
Boston	21	18	4	46	110	114
Buffalo	19	18	5	43	123	122
Toronto	16	20	8	40	122	146

Southeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	22	20	4	48	136	145
Atlanta	21	22	2	44	127	149
Florida	20	21	3	43	108	120
Washington	18	20	5	41	119	132
Tampa Bay	16	23	5	37	127	151

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	33	8	4	70	157	96
St. Louis	22	15	5	49	111	108
Columbus	20	18	6	46	112	112
Nashville	21	19	2	44	121	122
Chicago	19	21	4	42	124	134

Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Minnesota	25	17	2	52	122	124
Vancouver	24	15	4	52	112	98
Calgary	22	15	7	51	130	129
Colorado	22	18	3	47	120	121
Edmonton	20	21	4	44	120	133

Pacific Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	25	17	4	54	134	119
San Jose	24	12	6	54	108	95
Anaheim	23	17	6	52	117	119
Phoenix	22	19	1	45	111	113
Los Angeles	16	27	2	34	128	152

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.

Friday's Games

Columbus 6, St. Louis 4
Minnesota 5, Chicago 2
N.Y. Islanders at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Today's Games

Boston at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.
New Jersey at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Nashville at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 7 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Toronto at San Jose, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Philadelphia at Washington, 1 p.m.
Colorado at Florida, 5 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at St. Louis, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 8 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Nashville, 8 p.m.

Mid-Atlantic Hockey League

	W	L	T	Pts
Indiana	21	1	0	42
Wooster	11	10	2	24
Jamestown	10	13	0	20
Valley Forge	7	13	1	15
Mon Valley	6	12	3	15

Today

Mon Valley at Valley Forge (8 p.m.)
Jamestown at Wooster

Sunday

Mon Valley at Indiana (4 p.m.)
Valley Forge at Wooster

Sports moves

BASEBALL

American League

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with INF Brad Eldred, INF Royce Huffman, INF Jeff Liefer, INF Michael Rouse, C Paul Phillips, C Ryan Smith, INF-OF Jason Bourgeois, OF Miguel Negron and RHP D.J. Carrasco on minor league contracts.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with LHP Eddie Guardado on a one-year contract and RHP Jamey Wright and C Adam Melhuse on minor league contracts.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Chad Fox on a minor league contract.

CINCINNATI REDS—Named Walt Jocketty special advisor to president and chief executive officer Bob Castellini.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Named Matt Raleigh manager for Caroline (SL), Brandon Hyde manager and Anthony Iapoce hitting coach for Jupiter (FSL), Jorge Hernandez hitting coach for Greensboro (SAL) and Steve Watson manager, Jeff Schwarz pitching coach and Andy Haines hitting coach for the Marlins (GCL).

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with RHP Brandon Backe on a one-year contract.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Agreed to terms with RHP T.J. Beam, C Raul Chavez and INF-OF Jose Macias on minor league contracts.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Agreed to terms with RHP Chad Cordero, INF Kory Casto, LHP Ross Detwiler, LHP John Lannan, OF Lastings Milledge, RHP Garrett Mock, RHP Chris Schroder, 1B Josh Whitesell and 1B Matt Whitney on a one-year contracts.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA—Suspended Indiana C David Harrison, without pay, for five games for violating the terms of the NBA/NBPA anti-drug program. Fined Atlanta $50,000 for a violation of league rules.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Assigned G Shannon Brown to Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Fired Todd Grantham, defensive coordinator.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Re-signed WR Charles Sharon from the practice squad. Waived WR Chad Owens.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled F Vladimir Sobotka from Providence (AHL). Sent D Matt Lashoff to Pruvidence.

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Assigned C Brandon Nolan to Albany (AHL).

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned G Steve Mason to Kitchener (OHL).

MINNESOTA WILD—Activated C Mikko Koivu from injured reserve. Waived C Dominic Moore.

COLLEGE

PITTSBURGH—Promoted Jeff Hafley to secondary coach. Announced Paul Dunn, offensive line coach, would not return.

WEST VIRGINIA—Named Steve Dunlap assistant head coach in charge of safeties, David Lockwood cornerbacks coach and Chris Beatty running backs coach.

Kari Lehtonen and the Atlanta Thrashers will host the Penguins at 7 p.m. on Fox Sports.

Weekend sports dial

Today

Television

Noon - ESPN - North Carolina State at North Carolina, college basketball.

12:30 p.m. - Fox Sports - Kansas at Nebraska, women's college basketball.

1:30 p.m. - Channel 2 - Vanderbilt at Kentucky, college basketball.

2 p.m. - Fox Sports - Seton Hall at Pitt, college basketball.

2 p.m. - ESPN - Connecticut at Georgetown, college basketball.

3 p.m. - ESPN2 - Arizona at Houston, college basketball.

4:30 p.m. - Channel 53 - Seattle at Green Bay, pro football.

4:40 p.m. - Fox Sports - California at Oregon State, college basketball.

6 p.m. - Versus - Hula Bowl, college football.

7 p.m. - Fox Sports - Pittsburgh at Atlanta, hockey.

7 p.m. - Golf Channel - Sony Open, golf.

8 p.m. - Channel 2 - Jacksonville at New England, pro football.

9 p.m. - ESPN - Kansas at Nebraska, college basketball.

Sunday

Television

Noon - Fox Sports - Sacred Heart at Robert Morris, women's college basketball.

1 p.m. - Channel 2 - San Diego at Indianapolis, pro football.

1 p.m. - ESPN - Medford Classic, bowling.

2 p.m. - WGN - Chicago at Atlanta, pro basketball.

3 p.m. - Fox Sports - Sacred Heart at Robert Morris, college basketball.

4:30 p.m. - Channel 53 - New York Giants at Dallas, pro football.

5 p.m. - Fox Sports - Duquesne at Rhode Island, college basketball.

7 p.m. - Golf Channel - Sony Open, golf.

8 p.m. - Fox Sports - Virginia at Duke, college basketball.

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	30	4	.882	—
Toronto	19	17	.528	12
New Jersey	18	18	.500	13
Philadelphia	14	23	.378	17 1/2
New York	9	26	.257	21 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	23	15	.605	—
Washington	18	16	.529	3
Atlanta	15	17	.469	5
Charlotte	13	22	.371	8 1/2
Miami	8	28	.222	14

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	27	9	.750	—
Cleveland	19	18	.514	8 1/2
Indiana	16	21	.432	11 1/2
Milwaukee	15	20	.429	11 1/2
Chicago	14	20	.412	12

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	24	11	.686	—
San Antonio	23	11	.676	1/2
New Orleans	24	12	.667	1/2
Houston	20	17	.541	5
Memphis	10	25	.286	14

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	22	13	.629	—
Portland	22	13	.629	—
Utah	20	17	.541	3
Seattle	9	26	.257	13
Minnesota	5	30	.143	17

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	25	11	.694	—
L.A. Lakers	23	11	.676	1
Golden State	20	16	.556	5
Sacramento	14	20	.412	10
L.A. Clippers	10	22	.313	13

Friday's Games

Chicago 100, Philadelphia 97
Washington 102, Atlanta 98, OT
Toronto 99, New York 90
Boston 86, New Jersey 77
Cleveland 113, Charlotte 106, 2OT
New Orleans 114, Miami 88
Houston 113, Minnesota 82
Denver 113, Orlando 103
Dallas at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Memphis at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Today's Games

Detroit at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Boston at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Utah, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Indiana at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Portland at Toronto, 12:30 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
New Orleans at Houston, 2:30 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Memphis at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Youth basketball

Metro Laegue

Eighth grade girls

Monessen 44, Ringgold 30

High scorers: Monessen - Nawtasja Sosnak and Chelsea Szakel, 10; Ringgold - Angela Selby, 12.

High school boys' basketball standings

Class AAA

	Sec. 4 W	Sec. 4 L	Overall W	Overall L
Chartiers Valley	5	0	15	1
Keystone Oaks	4	1	9	8
Ringgold	2	3	5	13
South Park	2	3	5	10
Trinity	2	3	3	10
McGuffey	0	5	3	11

Friday

South Park 68, Ringgold 60
Trinity 47, McGuffey 41

	Sec. 5 W	Sec. 5 L	Overall W	Overall L
Belle Vernon Area	4	1	11	4
Steel Valley	3	2	11	3
West Mifflin	3	2	7	7
Thomas Jefferson	3	2	4	8
Yough	2	3	6	9
Elizabeth Forward	0	5	2	13

Friday

Belle Vernon Area 69, Yough 46
Thomas Jefferson 53, Elizabeth Forward 47
West Mifflin 45, Steel Valley 43

Today

Elizabeth Forward at Derry
Greensburg Salem at Thomas Jefferson

Class AA

	Sec. 5 W	Sec. 5 L	Overall W	Overall L
Monessen	8	0	13	4
Washington	7	1	13	4
Burgettstown	6	2	12	3
Brownsville	4	4	8	8
C-Houston	3	5	9	8
Charleroi	3	5	7	9
Waynesburg	1	7	3	11
Beth-Center	0	8	3	13

Friday

Monessen 79, Beth-Center 42
Charleroi 53, Brownsville 44
Burgettstown 70, Waynesburg 34

Class A

	Sec. 2 W	Sec. 2 L	Overall W	Overall L
California	5	0	10	4
Carmichaels	4	1	10	3
Geibel	2	2	3	9
Mapletown	2	2	8	5
Jeff-Morgan	1	4	4	12
West Greene	0	5	1	11

Friday

California 53, Geibel 49
Mapletown 58, Jeff-Morgan 52
Carmichaels 44, West Greene 25

	Sec. 3 W	Sec. 3 L	Overall W	Overall L
Serra	7	0	13	1
Bentworth	5	2	10	4
Clairton	4	3	6	7
Cornell	3	3	8	6
Sacred Heart	3	4	4	12
Avella	2	5	5	9
Frazier	0	7	1	13

Friday

Avella 66, Frazier 54
Serra 77, Bentworth 50
Clairton 70, Sacred Heart 66

Today

Wilkinsburg at Clairton

High school girls' basketball standings

Class AAA

	Sec. 4 W	Sec. 4 L	Overall W	Overall L
Ringgold	5	0	12	3
Chartiers Valley	4	1	9	6
West Allegheny	3	2	8	8
McGuffey	2	3	7	7
Keystone Oaks	1	4	4	9
Waynesburg	0	5	4	11

Friday

Bethel Park 49, Ringgold 36
Waynesburg 52, West Greene 43

Today

Chartiers Valley at Montour
Keystone Oaks at Ambridge

	Sec. 5 W	Sec. 5 L	Overall W	Overall L
West Mifflin	5	0	13	3
Elizabeth Forward	4	1	12	3
Thomas Jefferson	3	2	6	10
Steel Valley	2	3	8	6
Belle Vernon Area	1	4	4	10
Yough	0	5	6	10

Today

Elizabeth Forward at Peters Twp. (2:30 p.m.)

Class AA

	Sec. 5 W	Sec. 5 L	Overall W	Overall L
Washington	7	0	15	0
Brownsville	5	2	13	4
Beth-Center	4	3	10	5
Charleroi	4	3	7	8
Bentworth	2	4	7	8
C-Houston	1	6	5	11
Burgettstown	1	6	3	14

Friday

Washington 58, Wheeling Park 44
Brownsville 52, Chartiers-Houston 34

Today

C-Houston at Brentwood

Class A

	Sec. 2 W	Sec. 2 L	Overall W	Overall L
Geibel	5	0	10	5
Carmichaels	4	1	6	9
Mapletown	3	2	10	4
California	2	3	5	9
West Greene	1	4	1	13
Jeff-Morgan	0	5	1	14

Friday

Avella 37, Jeff-Morgan 32

Today

Geibel at Connellsville

	Sec. 3 W	Sec. 3 L	Overall W	Overall L
Monessen	6	0	15	0
Clairton	4	2	7	5
Serra	3	2	7	4
Avella	2	2	7	6
Trinity Christian	1	5	4	10
Frazier	0	5	0	16

Today

Monessen at Trinity Christian (2:30 p.m.)
Avella at Serra (2:30 p.m.)

NFL playoffs

Divisional Playoffs

Today's Games

Seattle at Green Bay, 4:30 p.m. (FOX)
Jacksonville at New England, 8 p.m. (CBS)

Sunday, Jan. 13

San Diego at Indianapolis, 1 p.m. (CBS)
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 4:30 p.m. (FOX)

High school basketball lineups

BOYS

Monessen - 79

Parker, 2-0-4; Wall, 2-0-4; Stepoli, 8-0-18; Brandemarte, 4-0-9; Tyree, 6-0-12; Pritchett, 6-0-16; Ja. Minnie, 1-1-3; Kunsa, 2-0-5; Miller, 1-0-3; Sepesky, 1-0-2. Totals: FG - 34, F - 2 (3), T - 79.

Beth-Center - 42

Whited, 5-2-13; McCarty, 2-1-5; Samarin, 3-1-7; Hayges, 2-0-4; Niemiec, 5-1-12; Miller, 0-1-1. Totals: FG - 17, F - 6 (11), T - 42.

Score by quarters:

Monessen	23	24	19	13	79
Beth-Center	10	8	17	7	- 42

Three-pointers: Monessen - Pritchett 4, Stepoli 2, Brandemarte, Kunsa, Miller. Beth-Center - Whited, Niemiec.

Charleroi - 53

Hank, 5-0-11; Obade, 2-3-7; Pppasergi, 1-3-5; Andrisko, 6-9-25; Strelick, 2-0-4; Anderson, 0-1-1; Hooks, 0-0-0. Totals: FG - 16, F - 16 (25), T - 53.

Brownsville - 44

Novak, 2-0-4; Allamon, 2-1-7; Chason, 1-0-2; Roberts, 9-2-20; Brooks, 3-5-11. Totals: FG - 17, F - 7 (11), T - 44.

Score by quarters:

Charleroi	15	9	14	15	- 53
Brownsville	1	10	5	18	- 44

Three-pointers: Charleroi - Andrisko 4, Hank. Brownsville - Allamon 2, Roberts.

South Park - 68

Harrison, 7-4-18; Smith, 6-12-25; Flannery, 2-2-6; Dotson, 0-0-0;Griffin, 0-0-0; Nee, 1-0-2; Berkeybile, 0-1-1; Bigley, 1-0-2; Fincat, 3-0-6; DeBaldo, 3-2-8. Totals: FG - 23, F - 21 (29), T - 68.

Ringgold - 60

Brownlee, 6-15-28; Bassi, 5-1-12; Mountain, 1-0-2; Bekavac, 1-4-6; Patch, 0-0-0; Smith, 2-4-8; Madar, 1-0-2; Resanovich, 1-0-2; Yost, 0-0-0. Totals: FG -17, F - 24 (34), T - 60.

Score by quarters:

Ringgold	10	9	19	22	- 60
South Park	15	11	16	26	- 68

Three-pointers: Ringgold - Brownlee, Bassi. South Park - Smith.

BVA - 69

Dudzinski, 6-10-23; Naylor, 1-1-3; Pohlot, 7-3-18; Williams Cory, 4-0-9; Lustig, 3-3-11; Green, 0-1-1; Williams Cody, 0-0-0; Cieply, 0-0-0; Rodriguez, 2-0-4; Capco, 0-0-0. Totals: FG - 23 FT - 18 (24) T - 69.

Yough - 46

Hoffer, 7-3-21; Matvya, 2-1-5; Bashioum, 3-0-8; Aldridge, 1-0-2; Stuban, 2-0-5; Altman, 0-0-0; Marvich, 1-0-2; Hook, 1-10-2; Maddan, 1-1-3. Totals: FG - 17 FT - 7 (11) T - 46.

Score by quarters:

BVA	10	17	21	21	- 69
Yough	12	11	9	14	- 46

Three-pointers: BVA - Lustig 2, Dudzinski, Pohlot, Cory Williams. Y - Hoffer 4, Bashioum 2, Stuban.

California - 53

Carson, 2-3-5; Valentino, 4-3-11; VanOlst, 11-3-25; Michaux, 2-1-5; Roach, 1-0-2; Shen, 1-0-2; Tyler, 1-0-3. Totals: FG - 22, F - 10(13), T - 53.

Gelbel - 49

Constantino, 2-0-5; Gira, 5-2-14; Craft, 8-2-18; Betler, 1-2-4; Erdely, 3-0-8; Spotts, 0-0-0. Totals: FG - 19, FT - 6(8), T - 49.

Score by quarters:

Geibel	6	13	10	16	4 - 49
California	8	16	14	7	8 - 53

Three pointers: Geibel - Gira 2, Erdely 2, Constantino. California - Tyler.

Thomas Jefferson - 53

Langholz, 6-5-17; Volpe, 0-2-2; B. DeCicco, 4-1-9; Wildman, 3-0-9; Giansante, 6-0-12; Scott, 2-0-4. Totals: FG - 21, F - 8(9), T - 53.

Elizabeth Forward - 37

Cunning, 6-1-17; Giansante, 1-1-3; Styche, 1-3-6; Means, 4-1-9; LaVelle, 1-0-2. Totals: FG - 13, F - 6 (8), T - 37.

Score by quaters:

T. Jefferson	15	6	15	17	- 53
Elizabeth	10	9	3	15	- 37

Three-pointers: Elizabeth - Cunning 4, Styche. TJ - Wildman 3.

Girls

Bethel Park - 49

McNabb, 5-3-13; Varley, 4-0-11; Martino, 6-1-16; Rayburn, 1-0-2; Hagerty, 0-0-0; Krebs, 1-1-3; Hay, 0-1-1; Bickel, 0-2-2; Miller, 0-1-1. Totals: FG - 17, F - 9 (14),T - 49.

Ringgold - 36

Affinito, 0-0-0; Schartner, 5-7-17; Selby, 2-6-10; Resanovich, 1-0-2; Leach, 2-2-6; Pantojas, 0-1-1. Totals: FG - 10, F - 16 (20), T - 36.

Score y quarters:

Bethel Park	8	16	15	10	- 49
Ringgold	17	4	9	6	- 36

Three-pointers: Bethel Park - Varley 3,Martino 3.

High school basketball scores

BOYS

Aliquippa 57, Quaker Valley 44
Avella 66, Frazier 54
Beaver 40, Ellwood City 29
Belle Vernon Area 69, Yough 46
Canevin 65, Fort Cherry 60
Blackhawk 52, Hopewell 50
Brentwood 55, Sto-Rox 49
California, 53, Geibel 49
Canon-McMillan 61, Moon 59
Carlynton 58, Avonworth 45
Carmichaels 44, West Greene 25
Center 54, South Side Beaver 34
Central Catholic 63, Woodland Hills 41
Charleroi 53, Brownsville 44
Clairton 70, Sacred Heart 66
Cornell 77, Career Connections 25
Deer Lakes 65, Vincentian Academy 53
East Allegheny 58, Apollo-Ridge 50
Gateway 46, Penn Hills 45
Greensburg Central 52, W. Shamokin 37
Hempfield 47, Kiski Area 40
Highlands 74, Mars 55
Jefferson-Morgan 58, Mapletown 52
Johnstown 61, Forest Hills 26
Kiski 37, Johnstown Christian 36
Knoch 45, Kittanning 40
Latrobe 81, Albert Gallatin 37
Leechburg 68, Elderton 29
McKeesport 50, Fox Chapel 42
Mohawk 65, Frew Mill 52
Monessen 79, Beth-Center 42
Montour 54, Ambridge 50
New Brighton 70, Freedom 44
New Castle 58, North Hills 48
North Allegheny 65, Shaler 33
North Catholic 47, Springdale 44
Norwin 61, Franklin Regional 50
Oliver 66, Carrick 60
Peabody 66, Brashear 54
Penn-Trafford 61, Connellsville 42
Perry 45, Allderdice 36
Peters Township 63, Mt. Lebanon 42
Riverside 64, Neshannock 35
Riverview 64, South Allegheny 57
Saltsburg 66, Wilkinsburg 63
Schenley 73, Westinghouse 48
Seneca Valley 54, Pine-Richland 48
Serra Catholic 77, Bentworth 50
Sewickley Academy 65, Monaca 52
Shady Side Academy 58, Northgate 49
Shenango 64, Rochester 51
South Fayette 75, Seton-LaSalle 58
South Park 68, Ringgold 60
St. Joseph 70, Trinity Christian 41
Summit Academy 65, Laurel 45
Thomas Jefferson 53, Elizabeth Forward 47
Trinity 47, McGuffey 41
Union 70, Western Beaver 41
Uniontown 66, Laurel Highlands 45
Upper St. Clair 72, Baldwin 56
Valley 60, Hampton 55
West Mifflin 45, Steel Valley 43

College basketball

MEN

EAST

Bucknell 85, Navy 77
Dartmouth 73, Harvard 56
Loyola, Md. 67, Fairfield 63
Manhattan 69, Canisius 65
Marist 86, St. Peter's 71
Rider 72, Iona 64

SOUTH

Stetson 70, Florida Gulf Coast 62

WOMEN

EAST

Manhattan 70, Siena 68
Marist 61, Loyola, Md. 59
St. Peter's 75, Rider 67

SOUTH

Duke 70, Florida St. 38

SOUTHWEST

SMU 90, UCF 62
Tulsa 63, Southern Miss. 62

Bowl glance

Today's Game

Hula Bowl

At Honolulu

Aina (East) vs. Kai (West), 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 19

East-West Shrine Classic

At Houston

East vs. West, 7 p.m. (ESPN2)

Saturday, Jan. 26

Senior Bowl

At Mobile, Ala.

North vs. South, 4 p.m. (NFLN)

Latest Line

BEST BET: South ... spread its ... field. The Seal ... team that has ... knows what it ... road game. ... Mike McGrath, ... son debut ... might get ... former ... another Bowl ...

NFL

Favorite	Points	Underdog

Divisional Playoffs

GREEN BAY ...
N. ENGLAND ...

Sunday, Jan 13

INDIANAPOLIS ...
DALLAS ...

NBA

Favorite	Points	Underdog
Detroit	...	...
Boston	...	...
SAN ANTONIO	...	...
UTAH	...	...
PHOENIX	...	...
SACRAMENTO	...	...
Dallas	...	...
PHOENIX	...	...

odds:

College Basketball

Favorite	Points	Underdog
FLORIDA	17	...
N. CAROLINA	21	...
XAVIER	1	...
VA COMMONWEALTH	1	...
ST. JOHN'S	3	...
Vanderbilt	2	...
MISSOURI	1	...
OKLAHOMA ST	2	...
BUTLER	15	...
G. MASON	9	...
GEORGETOWN	9	...
GEORGIA ST	2	...
MARQUETTE	9	...
MIAMI FLA	6	...
PENN STATE	1	...
MISS. ST.	8	...
OHIO	2	...
PITTSBURGH	13	...
VA TECH	4	...
UCLA	7	...
Arizona	2	...
DETROIT	4	...
TEX. EL PASO	18	...
BOSTON COLL	3	...
W. Michigan	2	...
PROVIDENCE	8	...
PURDUE	1	...
TEXAS A&M	21	...
California	8	...
TOWSON ST	2	...
S. MISS	3	...
Nevada LV	5	...

Cal U teams back home with winning streaks

Both of California University's basketball teams will be putting winning streaks on the line in the final set of PSAC crossover games this weekend at Hamer Hall.

The Cal men (9-2) will put a three-game winning streak on the line when they face East Stroudsburg (9-3) today and play Kutztown (8-5) Sunday in 3 p.m. starts.

The Cal women (11-2), meanwhile, have won eight-in-a-row going in today's 1 p.m. contest with East Stroudsburg (5-7) and a 1 p.m. date with Kutztown (7-7) Sunday.

The Cal men are led by seniors Ron Banks and Theron Colao who are averaging 14.9 and 12.5, respectively.

East Stroudsburg is riding a nine-game winning streak eight-game winning streak and is 6-0 in PSAC crossover games against the West.

The Warriors are led by Andy Heimbaugh (14.8) and Channon Easley (13.7) but 6-9 junior Chris Bach is coming off a career-high 24 points in a 102-57 romp over Briarcliffe.

Easley, a 6-8, 230 pound senior, is the No. 2 shot blocker in the school's history.

Easley (31) and Bach (20) have combined for ... blocked shots.

Kutztown is led by 6-2 junior Dave Ben, a 1,000 point scorer.

The California women feature two of the PSAC's leading scorers in sophomore Brooqia Williams (17.7) and freshman Kayla Smith (14.7).

The Vulcans' Crystal Andrews leads the conference in steals and is second in assists.

East Stroudsburg's women trailed West favorite Indiana, 70-48, with :30.1 remaining before losing, 79-70.

The Lady Warriors are led by junior Jackie Yandrisevits, who joined the 1,000 point club by pouring in 35 points in Wednesday's 96-89 overtime win over Moravian when East Stroudsburg overcame a 16-point second half deficit.

Kutztown snapped a three-game losing skid with a 79-54 win over Lincoln University.

Melissa McQuade, a freshman from Shaler, is coming off a 19 point, 13 rebound performance.

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seven rebounds.

On Sunday, A.J. Jackson — Monessen's No. 1 all-time scorer — will lead Robert Morris against Sacred Heart in a Northeast Conference contest at 3 p.m. on Fox Sports.

Jackson, a 6-6 senior, is averaging 13 points for the Colonials, who are riding a five-game winning streak including a momentous 57-51 victory at Boston College earlier in the week.

■ And thanks to Dale Patterson, of Rostraver Township, who says an excellent way to grow old is to stay young!

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I FELT SO FREE! SO UNENCUMBERED! SO...SO...
RELAXED! LOOK! THE INFRARED FINGERTIP PULSE SENSOR ON MY STRESS MONITOR INDICATES THAT I'M ACTUALLY RELAXED!!

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MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IS TO TALK TO A DIFFERENT WOMAN EVERY DAY UNTIL I MEET A NEW GIRLFRIEND.
WHAT A CO-INCIDENCE.
MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IS TO FIND SOME DESERVING LOSER, SERVICE HIM, THEN CRUSH HIS EGO TO MAKE HIM PAY FOR THE CRIMES OF HIS GENDER...
THAT'S A NUTTY COME BACK. BUT I REALLY AM TRYING ANOTHER WAY TO MEET WOMEN AND HOPEFULLY CONNECT WITH...
IT WASN'T A NUTTY COME BACK. I'M SERIOUS
PLEASE GO EASY ON ME.

HI & LOIS® by Mort Walker and Dick Browne

BEETLE BAILEY® by Mort Walker

WHEN I PASS ON, DON'T MAKE A FUSS OVER ME...
...NO BIG DEAL, NO FANCY RITUAL
OKAY
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ALL I WANT IS THAT PEOPLE SHOULD LINE THE STREETS A LITTLE
GREG + MORT WALKER

BORN LOSER® by Art Sansom

GRIZZWELLS® by Bill Schorr

HEY! KNOCK IT OFF!
SWOOP!
WHO WAS THAT?
OH, THAT AGGRAVATING BLUEBIRD OF SPITEFULNESS
BOY HOWDY, HE REALLY IS ONE MEAN CUSS, ISN'T HE?

COW AND BOY® by Mark Leiknes

I'M PROUD OF US, COW.
IF WE KEEP UP THE INTENSITY OF THIS WEEK'S WORKOUTS, WE'LL BE SUPER-FIT IN NO TIME.
HOORAH!!
YOU CAN'T MOVE, CAN YOU?
PROP ANOTHER BALE UNDER MY ARM, PLEASE.

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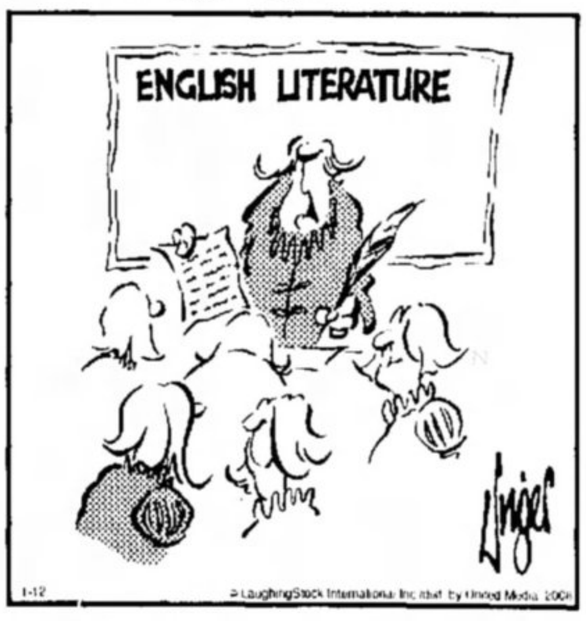

"Shakespeare, did your father help you with this homework?"

KIT'N' CARLYLE® by Larry Wright

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SOMETIMES I WONDER WHAT TIME IT IS, BUT EVERY TIME I WONDER WHY I CARE.
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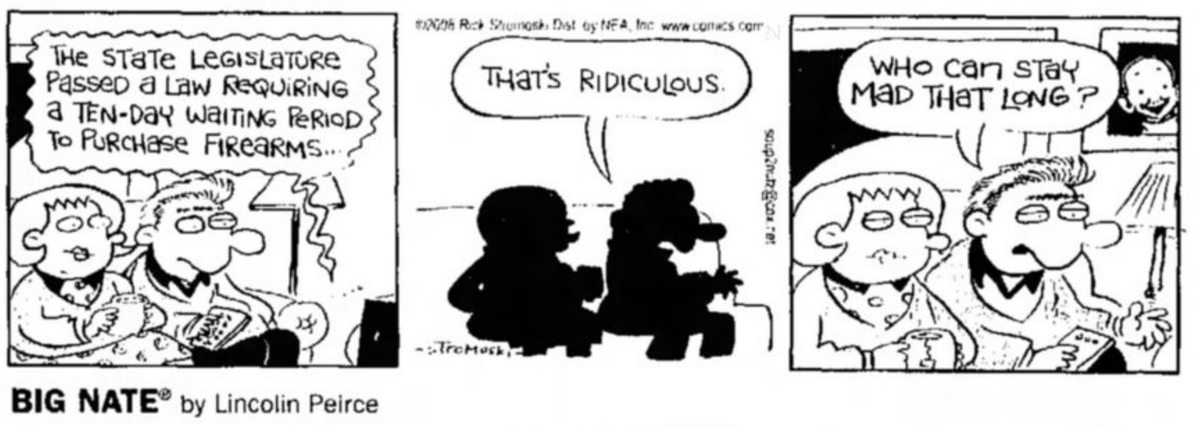
THE STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED A LAW REQUIRING A TEN-DAY WAITING PERIOD TO PURCHASE FIREARMS...
THAT'S RIDICULOUS.
WHO CAN STAY MAD THAT LONG?

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FASCINATING. JUST FASCINATING!
WHAT?
SINCE YOU GUYS TOOK AWAY MY BOOK OF FACTS, I HAD TO FIND ANOTHER TRIVIA SOURCE!
"HOLLYWOOD CELEBRITY BEAT"!
DID YOU KNOW THAT WHEN LINDSAY LOHAN CHECKED INTO REHAB FOR THE THIRD TIME, SHE...
GIVE HIM BACK THE BOOK OF FACTS

ALLEY OOP® by Dave Graue

DID ALLEY OOP EVER GIVE YOU ANYTHING LIKE THIS?
OH, MY, EARLIE! WHY, IT'S BEAUTIFUL!
SO... HOW 'BOUT A KISS NOW, OOOLA?
GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME, YOU NEANDERTHAL!!
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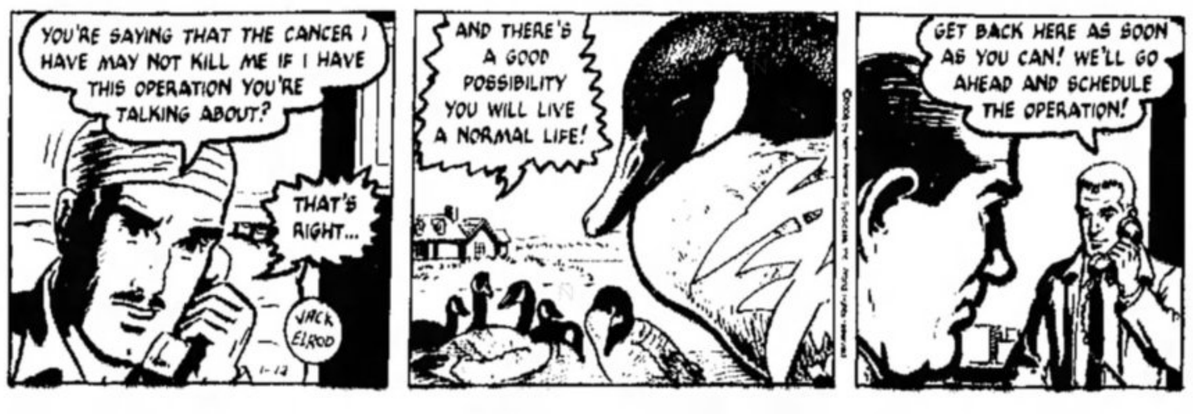
YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE CANCER I HAVE MAY NOT KILL ME IF I HAVE THIS OPERATION YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?
THAT'S RIGHT...
JACK ELROD
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AND THERE'S A GOOD POSSIBILITY YOU WILL LIVE A NORMAL LIFE!
GET BACK HERE AS SOON AS YOU CAN! WE'LL GO AHEAD AND SCHEDULE THE OPERATION!

The Valley Independent Crossword

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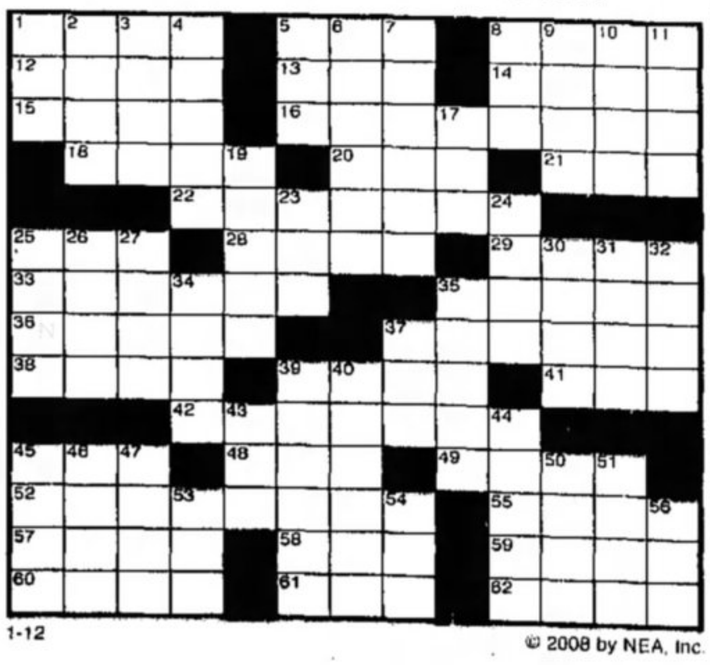

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TV LISTINGS

Husband's anniversary wish is to give wife real wedding ring

Dear **ABBY**

DEAR ABBY: Our 40th wedding anniversary will soon be here, and my wife, "Nancy," and I are considering renewing our vows. We were married when I was in the service during the Vietnam War, so we had only a rushed ceremony with a justice of the peace.

I would like a full-blown wedding for my dear wife. I picture Nancy walking down the aisle wearing her white gown, looking as beautiful as the day we were first married. My children, now adults, think this is unnecessary and a waste of money. (We don't have much — we're on Social Security.)

I think my wife deserves the wedding she never had. Nancy has been through so much stress with all the surgeries I've had. I feel the love of my life and mother of my children deserves the wedding she was dreaming of. What do you think? — **STEVE W. IN PHOENIX**

DEAR STEVE: Frankly, I think what you're considering is a beautiful gesture, but you have already given your wife the kind of MARRIAGE most women dream of — a lifetime with a husband who demonstrates his caring and devotion. If you can afford the kind of renewal of vows you're considering and Nancy can still fit into that dress, then go for it. However, under no circumstances should you spend more than you can afford.

DEAR ABBY: My best friend "Julie's" 13-year-old daughter, "Marci," used to be a little overweight, but she has recently lost most of the extra pounds. Julie keeps telling Marci how great she looks "now." (I never heard her tell her daughter that she looked great when she was heavier.) I compliment Marci by telling her she looks terrific, but that I always thought she was beautiful — no matter what her weight was.

In this day and age of eating disorders in young girls, what is the proper way to offer a compliment when a teenage girl loses weight so that she won't go overboard from suddenly hearing a lot of praise? — **CONCERNED FRIEND IN DEERFIELD, MASS.**

DEAR CONCERNED: Your way. To do otherwise could cause a girl to develop an eating disorder, if she doesn't already have one. You should also compliment her on her other good qualities because it's important that young women feel valued for more than the number on their bathroom scale or their dress size.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a middle-aged woman, dating a man my age. "Jack" and I are in the entertainment industry. (I'm a dance instructor, and he's a musician.)

When I have a cold, Jack refuses to see me until I am completely over it. He says he doesn't want to get sick. It has been a week since I've seen him. How does this strike you in terms of commitment, marriage, living together, being together as a couple?

I understand that Jack doesn't want to catch my cold, but we're a couple! It feels very weird to me, as though I'm not important to him. What's your take on this? — **IN QUARANTINE IN MORRO BAY**

DEAR IN QUARANTINE: If Jack plays a wind instrument, a cold could affect his ability to work. Another possibility might be that colds may hit him harder and last longer than they do you. Your boyfriend could also be germ-phobic or commitment-phobic.

I wish I could give you a conclusive answer, but I'm afraid you'll have to wait until you're no longer contagious, then "catch" it from Jack.

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SATURDAY EVENING

JAN. 12, 2008

	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30	12AM	12:30	1AM	1:30	2AM	2:30
CBS (2) KDKA (7) WTRF (10) WTAJ	News (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	(2) News (N)/ (7) (10) Inside Edition Weekend (N)	NFL Today	NFL Football AFC Divisional Playoff — Jacksonville Jaguars at New England Patriots. David Garrard leads the Jaguars against Tom Brady and the undefeated Patriots. From Gillette Stadium in Foxboro, Mass.						News (N)	(2) The Insider (N)/ (7) (10) CSI: Miami "Death Grip"	(2) CSI: Miami "Death Grip" A gifted 14-year-old tennis player is kidnapped.	(7) Without a Trace "Thou Shalt Not..."/ (10) Cold Case "Discretion"	(2) CSI: Miami "The Best Defense"	(7) Cold Case "Discretion"/ (10) Without a Trace "Thou Shalt Not..."	(2) Lyons & Bailes Reel Talk (N)	(2) Made in Hollywood: Teen/ (7) Ent. Tonight/ (10) Two/Half Men
ABC (4) WTAE (23) WATM	(4) News (N)/ (23) Paid	ABC's World News Saturday (N)	(4) Entertainment Tonight C(N)/ (23) Jeopardy!	(23) Wheel of Fortune "Route 66"	★ ★ Pearl Harbor (2001) Best friends join the war effort after the Japanese attack U.S. troops stationed on the Hawaiian island of Oahu.						(4) Ch. 4 Action News at 11 (N)/ (23) News (N)	(4) Ebert & Roeper/ (23) Law/Ord SVU	(4) Access Hollywood (N)	(23) Lyons & Bailes Reel Talk (N)	(4) Paid/ (23) Girls Behaving Badly	Paid	Paid	(4) Ch. 4 Action News at 11/ (23) Paid
NBC (6) WJAC (9) WTOV (11) WPXI	News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	(6) Entertainment Tonight/ (9) Wheel of Fortune/ (11) Jerome Bettis Show	(9) Cash Explosion/ (11) Jeopardy!	Dateline NBC (N)				Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Signature" A woman's body is found in a park.		News (N)	Saturday Night Live Host Jake Gyllenhaal; the Shins.			(6) (9) Star Trek/ (11) Jerome Bettis Show	(11) NASCAR Angels	(6) Masterminds/ (9) Entertainers/ (11) Da Vinci's Inquest	(6) Masterminds "The Hotel Pierre Heist" Thieves make off with $10 million.
FOX (8) WWCP (53) WPGH	NFL Football NFC Divisional Playoff — Seattle Seahawks at Green Bay Packers. Shaun Alexander and the Seahawks take on Brett Favre and the Packers. From Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wis.				Cops A suspect causes a crash.	Cops A suspect hides a shotgun in his pants.	America's Most Wanted: America Fights Back (N)		(8) News (N)/ (53) Channel 11 News on FOX 53 at 10 (N)	(8) Seinfeld/ (53) Two and a Half Men	Mad TV Joey Fatone.		Talkshow With Spike Feresten (N)	Paid	(8) Paid/ (53) Sex and the City	(8) Paid/ (53) Sex and the City	(8) Paid/ (53) ★ Luckytown (2000)	(8) Paid
(13) WQED	Antiques Roadshow "Baltimore, Maryland"		The Lawrence Welk Show "All Time Favorites"		Keeping Up Appearances	Are You Being Served?	As Time Goes By	Waiting for God	The New Red Green Show	Excellent Adventures	Roadtrip Nation	Rare Visions-Revelations	Celtic Woman: A New Journey Singer Hayley Westenra joins Celtic Woman for a performance at Slane Castle.				Rick Sebak History Series Clip Show	
(39) WPCW	Cold Case "Discretion"		Without a Trace "Thou Shalt Not..."		Steelers Saturday Night		The King of Queens	The King of Queens	The 10 O'Clock News	The Nightly Sports Call	Steelers TV	Paid	Paid	Girls Behaving Badly	Showtime at the Apollo Trey Songz.		Girls Behaving Badly	That '70s Show
(22) WPMY	Paid	Whacked Out	Family Guy	Family Guy	★ ★ Little Nikita (1988)				UFC Wired		Paid	Paid	One on One	One on One	My Wife-Kids	Paid	Soul Train	
(40) WPCB	Something Fresh		Breakthrough		Bananas		Theater	Heritage	Van Impe	Quick Study	Wisdom Keys	ATF TV	Greater Works Outreach		Theater	Extreme Life	Manna-Fest	Gospel Truth
(59) WBGN	TBA	Paid	TBA	Paid	The Collector		Stargate SG-1 "200"		It's Alive!				Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
A&E	★ ★ ½ Wyatt Earp (1994) Premiere.				★ ★ ★ Die Hard With a Vengeance (1995) Premiere.						Flip This House		★ ★ ★ Die Hard With a Vengeance (1995) Premiere.					
ABCFAM	Dr. Dolittle 3 (2006)		★ ★ ½ Overboard (1987)					★ ★ ½ Overboard (1987)					★ ★ ½ One Fine Day (1996)				Paid	Paid
AMC	★ ★ ½ Memphis Belle (1990)				★ ★ ★ ½ The Hunt for Red October (1990)						★ ★ ★ ½ The Longest Day (1962) Allied forces invade WWII Normandy on D-Day.							
ANPL	Miami Animal Police		Miami Animal Police		Wolf Within		Avalanche Dogs (N)		Natural World		Wolf Within		Avalanche Dogs		Natural World		Miami Animal Police	
BBC	Doctor Who		Doctor Who "The Satan Pit"		Torchwood "Combat"		Torchwood		The Graham Norton Show		Torchwood "Combat"		Torchwood		The Graham Norton Show		Doctor Who "The Satan Pit"	
BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live			Hell Date	Wayans Bros.	Wayans Bros.	Girlfriends	Girlfriends	Girlfriends	Girlfriends	Somebody Help Me (2007)				Comicview		American Gangster	
BRAVO	Project Runway		Project Runway		Make Me a Supermodel		★ ★ ★ The Best Man (1999)					★ ★ ★ The Best Man (1999)					★ ★ ½ Another 48 Hours	
CMT	★ ★ ★ Boys on the Side (1995) A cross-country trip draws three women together. Premiere.						Redneck Wed	Home Videos	Cable Guy	Simon Cowell	★ ★ ★ Urban Cowboy (1980) A Texas oil worker looks for love at a popular honky-tonk.						CMT Music	
CNBC	Paid	Build Wealth	Deal or No Deal		The Celebrity Apprentice		The Suze Orman Show (N)		Deal or No Deal		The Celebrity Apprentice		The Suze Orman Show		Deal or No Deal		Paid	Paid
CNN	Lou Dobbs This Week		This Week at War		Rescuing Youssif		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Rescuing Youssif		Larry King Live		CNN Saturday Night		Rescuing Youssif	
COM	★ ★ ★ Shaun of the Dead		Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Scrubs	Carlos Mencia: Strings		Lisa Lampanelli		★ How High (2001)				Katt Williams Live Performance.			Katt Williams
COURT	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Evidence	Evidence	Arrest & Trial	Arrest & Trial	Hwood Heat	Hwd. Justice	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Evidence	Evidence	Arrest & Trial	Arrest & Trial
CSPAN	Pres. Address	Commun.	America & the Courts		American Perspectives						American Perspectives						C-SPAN Weekend	
DISC	Before the Dinosaurs		Before the Dinosaurs		Some Assembly Required		MythBusters "Deadly Straw"		MythBusters		How It's Made	How It's Made	Some Assembly Required		MythBusters "Deadly Straw"		MythBusters	
DISNEY	Han. Montana	Han. Montana	Han. Montana	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Cory in House	★ ★ ★ Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (2001)						★ ★ ★ Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (2001)					
E!	12 Sexiest Vegas Jobs (N)		E! News Weekend		★ ★ ★ High Fidelity (2000)				Saturday Night Live		The Soup	Chelsea	Girl Next Door	Girl Next Door	Saturday Night Live		The Soup	Chelsea
ESPN	2007 World Series of Poker		SportsCenter		College GameDay		College Basketball Kansas at Nebraska.				SportsCenter		NFL	Midnight	SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPNC	College Basketball Iowa State at Baylor.				Boxing		Boxing		Boxing: Cardona vs. Whitaker		U.S. Poker Championship		U.S. Poker Championship		2006 World Series of Poker		2006 World Series of Poker	
ESPN2	Figure Skating Cup of Russia. From Moscow.						Figure Skating NHK Trophy. From Sendai, Japan.						Fastbreak	NFL's Greatest Game From Jan. 14, 1996. (N)			Boxing: 1993 Bruno vs. Lewis	
EWTN	Mother Angelica-Classic		Daily Mass: Our Lady		Seelos: Tireless Intercessor		Shall Lead	Holy Rosary	Fr. John Corapi		The Journey Home		Daily Mass: Our Lady		Fr. Corapi		Seelos: Tireless Intercessor	
FNC	Fox News Live		Fox Report		Geraldo at Large		Special Programming		Red Eye		Jrnl Edit. Rpt	Beltway Boys	Geraldo at Large		The Line-Up		Red Eye	
FOOD	All Star Live: South Beach		All Star Healthy Makeover		Giada's Italian Holiday		Rachael Vaca.	Rachael Vaca.	Planet Food		Iron Chef America		Rachael Vaca.	Rachael Vaca.	Planet Food		Iron Chef America	
FSN	Penguins	Pregame	NHL Hockey Pittsburgh Penguins at Atlanta Thrashers.					FSN Live	Penguins	Final Score	FSN Pro Football Preview		Toughest Cowboy (N)		Final Score	Final Score	College Basketball	
FX	★ ½ Bad Company (2002)				★ ★ ½ S.W.A.T. (2003) A Los Angeles SWAT team must protect a criminal.					★ ★ ★ Assault on Precinct 13 (2005)					Married...	Married...	Build Wealth	Paid
GOLF	Play Lessons	Play Lessons	PGA Tour Golf Sony Open in Hawaii — Third Round. From Waialae Country Club in Honolulu.							Post Game Show		Golf Central	PGA Tour Golf Sony Open in Hawaii — Third Round. From Waialae Country Club in Honolulu.					
GSN	Dog Eat Dog		Greed		Be a Millionaire		How Much	Family Feud	Family Feud	Chain	Lingo	Whammy	Be a Millionaire		Twenty One		Body	Beat-Clock
HALL	Jane Doe: The Wrong Face		Jane Doe: Vanishing Act (2005)				Jane Doe: Eye of the Beholder (2007) Premiere.				Jane Doe: Yes, I Remember It Well (2006)				Walker, Texas Ranger		Walker, Texas Ranger	
HGTV	Get It	24-Hr Design	House Worth?	House	Designed-Sell	Deserving	Color Splash	Divine Design	Design-Dime	Find Style	Color Correct.	Get It	Designed-Sell	Deserving	Color Splash	Divine Design	Design-Dime	Find Style
HIST	The Antichrist		Modern Marvels "Milk"		Crime Wave: 18 Months of Mayhem				Hooked: Illegal Drugs		Modern Marvels "Distilleries"		Crime Wave: 18 Months of Mayhem				Hooked: Illegal Drugs	
LIFE	★ ★ Speak (2004)		To Be Fat Like Me (2007)				Queen Sized (2008) Premiere.				Grey's Anatomy		★ ★ Another Woman's Husband (2000)				Paid	Paid
MSNBC	Tim Russert		MSNBC Inv.: Hitman Tapes		Inv: Cops Caught on Tape		Lockup: Raw		The Mind of Manson		Inv: Cops Caught on Tape		Lockup: Raw		The Mind of Manson		Tim Russert	
MTV	America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		America's Next Top Model		The Real World "Sydney"	
NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	iCarly (N)	Just Jordan	Naked	Drake & Josh	George Lopez	George Lopez	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
OXY	★ ★ ★ Peggy Sue Got Married (1986)				★ ★ Where the Heart Is (2000)					★ ★ Where the Heart Is (2000)					★ ★ ★ ★ When Harry Met Sally... (1989)			
PCN	PA Public Affairs								PA Public Affairs								Deutsche Welle News	
PCNC	News		News	Tomlin Conf.	Best of NightTalk		News		Best of Honsberger Live		News		Paid	Paid	News	Paid	Paid	News
SCIFI	★ ★ Timeline (2003)		★ ★ ½ 12:01 (1993) Premiere.				★ ★ ½ The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (2005)				★ ★ ½ The Arrival (1996)				★ ★ ½ The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (2005)			
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		TNA IMPACT!				★ ★ ★ ½ Boyz N the Hood (1991)			
TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	King	King	★ ★ ½ Legally Blonde 2: Red, White & Blonde (2003)				★ ★ ★ Save the Last Dance (2001)				★ ★ A Walk to Remember (2002)					Lucky Nbr
TCM	Sinbad-Tiger	★ ★ ★ 20 Million Miles to Earth (1957)			★ ★ ★ ★ The Bridge on the River Kwai (1957)						★ ★ ★ ½ The Hill (1965)				★ ★ ★ ★ The Great Escape (1963)			
TLC	Property Ladder		My First Home Biloxi, Miss.		Flip That	Flip House	Flip House	Flip House	The Real Estate Pros		Flip That	Flip House	Flip House	Flip House	The Real Estate Pros		My First Home Biloxi, Miss.	
TNT	★ ★ ★ Gladiator (2000)		★ ★ ★ ★ Titanic (1997) A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship.								★ ★ ★ Unfaithful (2002) A housewife has an affair with a charming stranger.					★ ★ ★ Signs (2002)		
TOON	Ed, Edd	Courage-Dog	Goosebumps	Goosebumps	Goosebumps	Goosebumps	Naruto (N)	Naruto (N)	One Piece	Dragon Ball Z	Bleach	Death Note	Full-Alchemist	Blood Plus	Samurai	Big O	Bleach	Death Note
TRAVEL	Grand Canyon: Great Escape		World Poker Tour From Las Vegas.				World Poker Tour From Las Vegas.				World Poker Tour From Las Vegas.				World Poker Tour From Las Vegas.			
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FEATURES

BVA adds alumni section to Web site

Former students can now keep informed about their alma mater via the Internet.

By JEFF PIKULSKY
Staff Writer
jpikulsky@tribweb.com

Jeff Pikulsky/The Valley Independent

Belle Vernon Area High School junior Aaron Mikula visits the high school's new alumni Web page that went online a month ago.

ROSTRAVER TOWNSHIP - The Belle Vernon Area School District has given alumni a new way to keep in touch with their classmates.

Last month, high school webmaster Marcia Ellis launched an alumni section on the school Web site so former students' could keep informed about their alma mater and find past classmates.

Ellis, a computer teacher at the high school, said she and other faculty members noticed the need to provide online networking for graduates.

"We discovered a lot of alumni visit our site and have left e-mails and wanted ways to stay in touch with each other," Ellis said.

"They were coming from all over the country," she added.

Ellis has worked with three students each semester to expand and maintain the Web site.

In the new section, alumni can submit personal information that is displayed together on a page.

There are personal profiles of about 50 graduates on the site so far.

Graduates from as far back as the class of 1969 are listed.

Alumni also can ask for information on graduation reunions and similar meetings to be posted on the site, according to Ells, who said alumni can have anything posted that is related to the school and their involvement there.

"Anything that anybody wants included on here that relates to the school, I'll be happy to put on," she said.

The high school Web site first went online about eight years ago.

Since then, developers have worked to supply a wealth of information on the site about current and upcoming events in the district.

The school site features school calendars and program information, photo galleries, course listings, club announcements, student achievements and general information.

The alumni Web page can be accessed through a link on the Belle Vernon High School homepage at www.bvasd.net/hs.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: U equals V

"VBZAS MKMW OWCI HBB CFW GANBKVKCR, NAC VBZAS WKOFC HVCAHBBR KI VFWHGWX, BWII VXZJSWS, HMS FHI H NWCCWX UKWJ." - OWZXOW VHXBKM

PREVIOUS SOLUTION — "When a man forgets himself, he usually does something everybody else remembers." - James Coco

Winter losing bite

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Early blooms. Less snow to shovel. Unseasonable warm spells.

Signs that winters in the Northeast are losing their bite have been abundant in recent years. Now researchers from the University of New Hampshire have measured just how mild winter is getting.

A study of weather station data from across the Northeast from 1965 through 2005 found temperatures from December through March increased by 2.5 degrees over the four decades. Snowfall totals dropped by an average of 8.8 inches across the region over the same period, and the number of days with at least 1 inch of snow on the ground decreased by 9 days on average.

"Winter is warming greater than any other season," said Elizabeth Burakowski, who analyzed data from dozens of stations for her master's thesis in collaboration with Cameron Wake, a professor at UNH's Institute for the Study of Earth, Oceans and Space.

Burakowski, who graduated from UNH in December, found that the biggest snowfall decreases were in December and February. Stations in New England showed the strongest decreases in winter snowfall, about 3 inches a decade.

There were wide disparities in snowfall over the nine-state region, which includes New England, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

CALENDAR WATCH

Sunday

- Spaghetti dinner, Monongahela 455 Elks, noon to 6 p.m.
- Doughnut sale, Transfiguration Church, Monongahela, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Monessen Democratic Committee meeting, Italian Club, 7 p.m.

Monday

- VFW Post 1409, Monongahela, meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Westmoreland Drug and Alcohol Commission Inc. board of directors meeting, Westmorland County Community College, 6 p.m.
- Mon Valley Sewage Authority meeting, office of authority, MIDA Industrial Park, Donora, 7 p.m.
- Overeaters Anonymous meeting, Rehoboth Presbyterian Church, Rostraver Township, 10:30 a.m.

VALLEY GRAPEVINE

Marion PTA lists Wednesday session

Marion Elementary PTA will meet 7 p.m. Wednesday. Refreshments and babysitting will be available.

Monessen Library forms new clubs

The Monessen Public Library and District Center announces several new monthly children's clubs:

The American Girl Doll Book Club will meet 7 p.m. Thursday. Come and talk about what books and activities the club will do for the year.

The 10-Minute Read Book club will meet 4:30 p.m. Jan. 24. This club is open to children 8-10 years of age. Bring a book or pick a book from the library to read for 10 minutes and then talk about what you have read.

The Theater Read Club will hold its meeting 4:30 p.m. Jan. 31. The club is open to children who love to read and act. Each month a different script will be handed out and each child will have a part in the story.

For information or registration, call the library at (724) 684-4750.

TEAM Charleroi to meet Thursday

TEAM Charleroi Business and Community Alliance will hold its quarterly meeting 8:30 a.m. Thursday in conference room A of Southwestern Pennsylvania Human Services, 300 Chamber Plaza, Charleroi. The TEAM consists of the Focus group formed last year and anyone interested in the betterment of the Greater Charleroi community. For information on TEAM, call (724) 483-3507 or log on to www.shopcharleroi.com. All committee chairpersons should be prepared to give a report of their activities and future plans. Those unable to attend should assign a committee member to give his report.

Tri County Borough group to meet

The January 2008 monthly meeting of Tri County Borough Association will take place 7 p.m. Thursday at the Hoot Owl's Club, 129 Fourth Ave., New Eagle.

Bereavement group to meet

The Take My Hand Bereavement Support Group of Albert Gallatin Home Care & Hospice will meet 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the activity room of the Monongahela Library, 813 West Main St., Monongahela. For information, call Maureen Lusk at (724) 258-8855.

Fire chiefs list meeting

The Fire Chiefs' Association of Westmoreland County will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Norvelt Volunteer Fire Department.

Legislative lunch set for Friday

The League of Women Voters of Washington County has invited the nine state legislators who represent various parts of Washington County in Harrisburg to the League's annual legislative luncheon 11:30 a.m. Friday at the Southpointe Golf Club.

The public is welcome.

The luncheon is an information session in which discussion will focus on three topics of interest to the LWV.

Reservation deadline is Wednesday by calling (724) 228-9889 or e-mailing to jh9709@verizon.net.

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Finding Solutions for Care Givers TRIB

Angela Dastolfo, left, a former member of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church Choir of Monessen who now sings with Annunciation Church Choir in New Kensington, gets together with Gus and Catherine Drizos, St. Spyridon Church choir members, at the recent Christmas Festival, "Share the Love," at Heinz Hall in Pittsburgh. Dastolfo is the daughter of Mary Elenitsas, of Monessen, and the late Nicholas Elenitsas.

St. Spyridon Church Choir part of Pittsburgh festival

The Monessen choir helped other churches to present an evening of worship and Christian fellowship at Heinz Hall.

The St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church Choir participated in the Christmas Festival, "Share the Love," held at Heinz Hall in Pittsburgh on Dec. 17.

The event was sponsored by The Christian Leaders Fellowship.

More than a dozen churches of all denominations combined the voices of their choirs to present an evening of worship and Christian fellowship.

William Leogas, choir director of the Monessen St. Spyridon Church Choir, prepared local choir members to join other Greek Orthodox choirs from the greater Pittsburgh area.

Local participants included: Mary Leogas, Janet Forlini, Nina Forlini, Susanna Gardikes, Bob Kosko, Tommie Kosko, Inge Loulis and Mary Fakner.

The Greater Pittsburgh Greek Orthodox Choral Ensemble under the direction of John Nychis, combined with choirs of other religious denominations to provide musical worship in both American and native tongues.

Musicians from the Pittsburgh Symphony accompanied many of the musical selections.

Religious leaders from the Pittsburgh area, including Metropolitan Maximos from the Greek Orthodox Diocese of Pittsburgh, led the call to worship and intercessory prayers.

Bishop Kurt Kusserow, the Evangelical Lutheran Bishop, welcomed all participants.

Bishop David A. Zubik, from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh, offered the closing blessing.

Members of the Christian Leaders Fellowship offered their blessings upon the assembly and the whole community.

American Sign Language interpretation was also provided for the hearing impaired.

Multiple deaths cause pastor to direct men to physicians

"One way or another," he said, "every man in this church will be checked out."

By ANDREW HUGGINS
Associated Press Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio — After the fourth death in a week, Keith Troy decided enough was enough.

Midway through Sunday services, he looked out at his congregation and asked all the men to rise. Then he asked: Would the deacons and associate ministers please assemble in the aisles with paper and pencil? Would every man write down his name and a phone number where he could be reached?

Too many church men were dying of preventable illnesses related to poor health, Troy told the congregation at New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, a predominantly black church of about 4,500 members, including about 900 adult men.

Their pastor of 24 years issued a simple order: Every man in the congregation will see a doctor in the next three months. If they can't afford it, the church will help pay. If transportation is a problem, someone from the church will drive them.

"But one way or another," Troy said that Sunday in late November, "every man in this church will be checked out."

"Amen," parishioners responded. "Amen."

The last straw had come three days earlier when Roland Burks, 58, died of complications from diabetes and high blood pressure, the day after he delivered Thanksgiving meals to the homeless.

"I plead guilty to being a pragmatist," Troy said in an interview. "What we do on Sunday has got to impact Monday through Saturday, and if not, what are we doing?"

He said he stood in the pulpit that Sunday and happened to see two doctors, members of the church, in the congregation.

"It just kind of came to me," Troy said. "We didn't have 900 meetings about it — it was just one of those moments of inspiration."

Statistics show black men are among the least likely people to see a doctor regularly.

Three in 10 non-Hispanic black did visit a doctor or other health professional in the past 12 months, according to the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 2005 summary of national health statistics. Only Hispanic men (37 percent) were higher as a group.

Black men also have higher rates of high blood pressure than white or Hispanic men and a higher risk of dying from strokes than men and women from any other group. Black men also have higher obesity rates than white men or women.

Last year, the Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of South Carolina, a predominantly black denomination, announced a partnership with the state to educate people about disease prevention and healthy living.

In Colorado, Denver's Center for African-American Health works with about 80 black churches to increase awareness among parishioners about preventing diabetes, heart problems and other chronic diseases.

"When the message comes from the church and the pastor, it comes with a very important push behind it and people do tend to trust that message," said Dr. Michelle Gourdine, a member of Union Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church and the deputy secretary of health for Maryland. The 1,300-member church in Randallstown, Md., offers annual programs on reducing cholesterol and high-blood pressure and runs a 10-week exercise class for just $10.

Fear of being perceived as weak keeps some black men from seeing doctors, as does historical distrust of the profession. Concerns about the cost of medical care also play a part. A 2004 survey by the Ohio Department of Health found that more than one in four black men in Ohio were uninsured, compared with fewer than one in five white men.

"We don't generally seek out health care unless we become incapacitated," said Dr. Augustus Parker, a member of New Salem.

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VALLEY CHURCH BRIEFS

Roscoe church lists activities

The Faith Seekers class for grownups held at the Roscoe Presbyterian Church will resume 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the living room of the church manse.

The Tuesday Church School classes for children 4 through the sixth grade will resume 4 p.m. Jan. 15 in fellowship hall. The hour and a half program offers an after-school snack, Bible story, related activity, help with homework and a light supper. The weekly event is open to all children of the community. Call Michele Hartle for information at (724) 938-3703.

Elder Richard Kara will lead the 11 a.m. Sunday worship, assisted by recovering pastor, the Rev. Dr. John Rankin.

Elder William Wilson will represent the Roscoe church at the January meeting of Washington Presbytery Jan. 19 at Faith Presbyterian Church on East Beau Street, Washington.

Church to host 'Gospel Sounds'

The Belle Vernon Church of the Nazarene, 108 Reed Ave., will have the Gospel Sounds at its 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. The Gospel Sounds comprises husband and wife team, Steve and April Caldwell.

The Gospel Sounds duet music style consists of traditional, southern gospel, country gospel, contemporary and praise and worship music. They have traveled extensively in the eastern United States and have also appeared on television.

Charleroi church plans communion

Christ Lutheran Church, Charleroi, will offer the sacrament of Communion during the 11 a.m. Sunday worship. The Rev. Charles Hartbauer, of Pittsburgh, will be pastor. Breakfast will precede worship at 10 a.m.

Allman

Missionary due in N. Belle Vernon

Julie Allman, missionary to the Ukraine, will be speak at the Char-Belle Free Methodist Church, corner of Arch and Speer streets, North Belle Vernon 10 a.m. Sunday. A time of fellowship will follow.

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The Belle Vernon Church of the Nazarene, 108 Reed Avenue, will have the "Gospel Sounds" at their 10:30 morning worship service on Sunday, January 13.

The Gospel Sounds is a husband and wife team, Steve and April Caldwell, who are committed to spread the "good news" of Jesus Christ.

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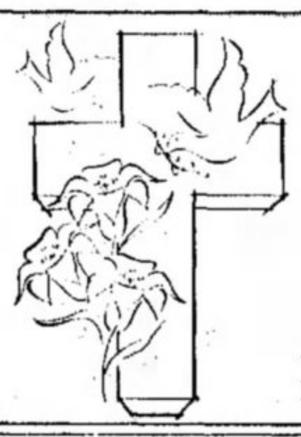

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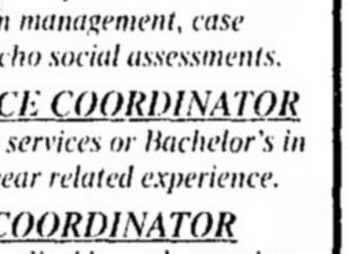

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PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Being bossy or demanding will put you in a very bad light, marching all alone to your own drumming. Don't insist on everything being your way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Bottled up anger can erupt if you don't have an outlet to help you put a lid on it. Find some kind of physical activity to release this energy.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Your ability to judge the character of others will be extremely deficient and lacking of sound reasoning, so pay particular heed in whom you confide in or use as a sounding board.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Remember, if you don't want your friends to abuse your friendship, don't attempt to do something that mistreats them. Be kind and generous in your dealings with everybody.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- You will learn a bitter lesson about cooperation and the limited patience of others if you fail to try to get along with those who are going out of their way to make things easy on you.

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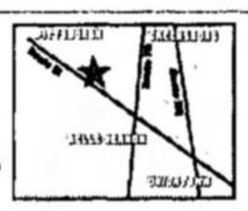

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